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Births.

BIRD.—April 22, at her residence, Ilfley-street, Waverley, the wife of George C. Begg, of a son.

BARON.—April 11, at her residence, Tumut, the wife of H. Wharton Mason, M.B.C.M., Ed., of a daughter.

BENNIE.—April 26, at Burtonn Villa, Dubbo, the wife of Charles A. Bennie, of a daughter.

SCHWARTZE.—April 21, at Beulah Hill, near London, the wife of E. B. Rudolph Schwartze, of a son.

WILLIAMS.—April 9, at the residence of her parents (Wm. Birch), Oakleigh, Campbelltown, the wife of Wm. Williams, Allendale, Oxford, of a son.

Marriages.

BLUNDEN—GOODWIN.—April 15, at Christ Church, by the Rev. C. F. Garnsey, William Blunden, of Portsmouth, Hants, to Mary Matilda Goodwin, niece of R. M'Intyre, late of Parkes and Temora.

Deaths.

BUCHANAN.—April 20th, at Balmain, George Buchanan, brother of William, John, and James Buchanan, aged 57.

COLLIER.—March 13, at his residence, Stamford Hill, London, a few days after his return home from visiting Sydney and the colonies, Alfred Collier, Esq., of New Broad-street, aged 65.

COLLIER.—April 28, at his mother's residence, Oaklandville, The Terrace, Windsor, Edward Trevallyn, youngest and dearly beloved child of Mary and the late George Thomas Collier, aged 3 years and 4 months.

FITZ-STUBBS.—April 22, at Auckland, N.Z., Percy Thomas, eldest son of Robert and Emma FitzStubbs, Riselle, Lawson, aged 29 years.

HYDATE.—April 20th, 1887, at her residence, No. 8, Rose-street, South Sydney, after a long and painful illness, Eliza Margaret, the beloved wife of Andrew W. M'Grath. May she rest in peace.

HUDCROFT.—April 20th, at her residence, Enfield, suddenly, Ann Truscott, aged 56 years.

WILLIAMS.—April 14, at the residence of her parents (Wm. Birch), Oakleigh, Campbelltown, Annie Graham, the beloved wife of Wm. Williams, Allendale, Oxford, and sister of Mrs. J. A. Birch, Thornleigh House, 90, Redfern-street, Redfern, aged 26.

WRIGHT.—April 27, at No. 2, Carlton-terrace, Wynyard-square, from apoplexy, Ellen, the beloved wife of H. G. A. Wright, aged 49 years.

In Memoriam.

BOSSON.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, Emanuel Hobson, late of Bowtenstall, Lancashire, England, who departed this life at Atwdale House, St. Peters, N.S.W., on the 29th day of April, 1886, aged 54 years. Though lost to sight to memory dear. Inserted by his loving wife, S. J. Hobson.

HOLTERMANN.—In fond remembrance of my dear husband, Bernard Otto Holtermann, who departed this life April 29th, 1885, aged 47 years. Inserted by his affectionate wife, Emma Holtermann.

HOLTERMANN.—In loving remembrance of our dear father, Bernard Otto Holtermann, M.L.A., who departed this life April 29th, 1885, aged 47 years. Inserted by his loving children.

WEST.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Thomas Francis West, who departed this life April 20th, 1885. The memory I still cherish. Inserted by his loving wife, Annie West.

WEST.—In loving and affectionate remembrance of my dearly beloved son, Thomas Francis West, who departed this life April 20th, 1885, aged 24 years 11 months. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving mother, Mrs. Mary West.

Shipping.

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The Company's Steamships (under contract with the Victorian Government for the conveyance of H.M. Mails) will be despatched from the Company's Wharf, Circular Quay, as under, DIRECT to PLYMOUTH and LONDON, via Colombo, and Bombay, calling at Melbourne, Glenelg, and King George's Sound:—

Steamer.	Tns	Commander.	Leave Sydney Noon.	Leave Melbourne, 1 p.m.	Leave Glenelg.
Surat ...	3148	J. L. Parfett	May 13	May 17	May 19
Clyde ...	3619	R. M. Edmond	May 25	May 31	June 2
Bengal ...	6497	W. B. Andrews	June 8	June 14	June 16
Edward Bliss	6969	R. G. Steed	June 21	June 28	June 30

and thereforth every alternate week.

Rates of Passage Money to Plymouth and London:—First, £70; and second saloon (reduced) £30 and £37.

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J. WEIR, Agents.

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Alameda ...	3000	Morse ...	19th May	13th June.
Mariposa ...	3000	Hayward ...	15th June	10th July.

Each steamer carries duly qualified surgeons.

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Passengers are booked to San Francisco or through to European destinations, and have at San Francisco choice of the unrivalled Atlantic steamship Lines of the Cunard, Inman, White Star, and other Companies.

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MAURORO, 1900 tons, about MONDAY, May 9, for Wellington, Lyttelton, and Dunedin, transhipping to outports.
WARAROA, 2600 tons, THURSDAY, May 12, for Auckland, Gisborne, Napier, Wellington, Lyttelton, Port Chalmers, Bluff, and Melbourne. Passengers and cargo for Russell are transhipped at Auckland.

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Steamer.	Commander.	Leave Sydney at NOON.	Leave Melbourne 1 p.m.
TASMA ...	Bruyeres ...	May 14 ...	...May 16
CALEDONIEN	De Mackenge ...	June 11 ...	...June 13.
RIVES ...	Koch ...	July 9 ...	...July 12

And thereafter every 28 days.

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Available 12 months ...	£215 ...	£93 ...	£42

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A. CONIL, Principal Agent.

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S.S. DUPLEIX, 1500 tons,
F. CRABOUD, COMMANDER,
IS NOW RECEIVING CARGO,
and will be despatched to NOUMEA from the M.M. COMPANY'S WHARF, CIRCULAR QUAY,
on
SATURDAY, the 30th APRIL,
at 12 o'clock noon.

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ORIANA ...	6256 Tons	C. N. Conlan ...	May 7
LUSITANIA ...	3825 ,,	J. F. Rothven, R.N.R.	May 21
LIGURIA ...	4088 ,,	G. F. Dixon ...	June 4
AUSTRAL ...	5588 ,,	A. Charlton ...	June 18

And fortnightly thereafter.

SALOON PASSENGERS allowed to break their journey.
SPECIAL FACILITIES afforded for bringing out friends and relatives by the pre-payment of passage money here.
ENTIRE CABINS reserved on liberal terms.
PASSAGE MONEY £15 to £70. No Canal Dues.
REDUCED SECOND SALOON FARES, £20 to £37.
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Steamer.	Commander.	Sydney, at NOON.	Melb. at 2 o'clock.	Adelaide Steamphore.
		1887.	1887.	1887.
NECKAR ...	H. Baur ...	May 24	May 28	May 30
SALIER ...	C. Thalenhorst ...	June 21	June 25	June 27
HOHENZOLLERN	A. Meier ...	July 19	July 23	July 25
HOHENSTAUFEN	P. Kessler ...	Aug. 16	Aug. 20	Aug. 22

and thereafter every four weeks.

PASSAGE from SYDNEY to SOUTHAMPTON and ANTWERP ... ... £13 to £65
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The Steamship
MENMUIR, 1060 tons,
F. T. Helms, commander,
will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 28th APRIL.

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The powerful steamship
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S. G. GREEN, Commander,
will be despatched from the Company's Wharf, Miller's Point, on SATURDAY, 30th APRIL, at noon.

To be followed by the
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For THURSDAY ISLAND, PORT DARWIN, and HONGKONG, calling at Queensland ports.

The following splendid new steel steamships are appointed to leave Sydney as under:—

Steamer.	Tons.	Horse Power.	Commander.	Date.
CHINGTU ...	2300	1800	J. D. Arthur ...	May 3
TAIYUAN ...	2300	1800	W. M. Dodd ...	June 1
TSINAN ...	2800	1800	A. Hunt ...	June 19
CHANGSHA ...	2300	1800	J. E. Williams ...	June 28

And at intervals of eighteen days thereafter.

THE SALOON is AMIDSHIPS, and the Staterooms, CONTAINING TWO BERTHS ONLY, are unusually large and well-ventilated.

SECOND CABIN accommodation is in the poop.

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EXPERIENCED SURGEONS are carried.

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BUNINTONG ...	J. D. Joy ...	THIS DAY, 12 noon.
LEURA ...	H.B. Bristow	TO-MORROW, 12 noon.
GAMBIER ...	R. R. Brown	TUESDAY, May 3, 12 noon.
GABO ...	J. Pain	FRIDAY, May 6, at 12 noon.

FOR ADELAIDE (via MELBOURNE).

GAMBIER ...	R. R. Brown	TUESDAY, May 3, at 12 noon.

FOR BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON.

BARRABOOL ...	L. Tindal ...	TO-MORROW, 1 p.m.
BODONDO ...	W. Ellis ...	TUESDAY, May 3, 4 p.m.
LEURA ...	H.B. Bristow	SATURDAY, May 7, at 1 p.m.

FOR MACKAY, TOWNSVILLE, CAIRNS, Dunsmore, Cardwell, Mourilyan Harbour, Geraldton, Russell River, Plantation Creek.

BARRABOOL ...	L. Tindal ...	TO-MORROW, 1 p.m.

Cargo received for above ports every day. Second cabin passengers supplied with bedding and victualled free.

The fares to MELBOURNE and ADELAIDE are now GREATLY REDUCED. SALOON to MELBOURNE—THIRTY SHILLINGS; SECOND CABIN—TEN SHILLINGS.

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STEAM TO MELBOURNE, AT REDUCED PASSENGER RATES.

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The fast and favourite
S.S. BARRABOOL, L. TINDAL, Commander,
will be despatched from the NEW WHARF, FOOT of KING-STREET, for the above ports, transhipping at Brisbane,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 1 p.m.

The undersigned have now arranged the movements of their steamers so that passengers for Queensland can call successively at all Northern ports as far as Townsville. Steamers leaving Brisbane on Tuesdays call at MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON, MACKAY, and TOWNSVILLE, landing cargo and passengers at town wharfs.

WM. HOWARD SMITH and SONS, Limited,
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QUEENSLAND STEAM SHIPPING COMPANY, Limited.

The undermentioned new full-powered, high-class steel Passenger Steamers will be despatched for the following ports, viz.:

MELBOURNE ... * Maranoa, TUESDAY, 5 p.m., May 10.
BRISBANE
ROCKHAMPTON
PORT MACKAY
BOWEN
TOWNSVILLE
DUNGENESS
CARDWELL
MOURILYAN
JOHNSTON RIVER
CAIRNS
PORT DOUGLAS
COOKTOWN
† Barcoo, TUESDAY, 3 p.m., May 3.
* Maranoa, TUESDAY, 3 p.m., May 17, taking PASSENGERS and CARGO THROUGH to COOKTOWN WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

* From Circular Quay.
† From Q. S. S. Co.'s Wharf.

Passengers and cargo are taken direct to the Town Wharf at Melbourne, and not transhipped in the bay.

Fore-cabin passengers are provided with bedding and victualled.

Return Saloon tickets are available for six months.

Passengers' tickets issued on board steamers by ship's officers will be charged 5s extra.

Passengers and cargo for Rockhampton transship at Keppel Bay; for Port Mackay, at Flattop; for Dungeness, Cardwell, Mourilyan, and Johnston River, at Cleveland Bay.

Return tickets issued by Australasian United Steam Navigation Company, Limited, and A. S. N. Company, available by any of these steamers.

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MELBOURNE ...	*Rotomahana ...	This day, 5p.m., Ap. 29
Ditto ...	*Victoria ...	Tuesday, 5 p.m, May 3
ADELAIDE ...	*Steamer early.	
NOUMEA ...		
FIJI ...	*Comga ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 11
LEVUKA, Fiji		
BRISBANE ...	*Tanenagh ...	This day, 5 p.m., Ap. 29
Ditto ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Rockton ...	Monday, 3 p.m.
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	† Pitzroy ...	Friday, 5 p.m., May 6
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
MARYBOROUGH ...	*Tanenagh ...	This day, 5 p.m., Ap. 29
BUNDABERG ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
GLADSTONE ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
ROCKHAMPTON ...	*Tanenagh ...	This day, 5 p.m., Ap. 29
Ditto ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	† Fitzroy ...	Friday, 5 p.m., May 6
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
PORT MACKAY ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
BOWEN ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
TOWNSVILLE ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Rockton ...	Monday, 5 p.m.
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
DUNGENESS CARDWELL MOURILYAN JOHNSTONE R'R CAIRNS	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
CAIRNS WHARF ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1p.m., May 7
PORT DOUGLAS ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
COOKTOWN ...	*Birkgate ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., April 30
Ditto ...	*Rockton ...	Monday, 5 p.m.
Ditto ...	*Eurimbla ...	Wed., 5 p.m., May 4
Ditto ...	*Katoomba ...	Sat'dy, 1 p.m., May 7
THURSDAY ISL'D NORMANTON (nearest port to the Croydon goldfields)	*Rockton, carrying passengers and cargo through to Normanton without transhipment.	Monday, 5 p.m.
BURKETOWN ...		

* From Circular Quay.
† From Q. S. S. Company's Wharf, Margaret-street.

PASSENGERS and CARGO per TUESDAYS and SATURDAYS' STEAMERS for COOKTOWN, via INTERMEDIATE PORTS, ARE CARRIED THROUGH WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Passengers and cargo are taken direct to the town wharf at Melbourne, and not transhipped in the bay.

Fore-cabin passengers are provided with Bedding and Victualled.

Return saloon tickets are available for six months.

Passengers' tickets issued on board steamers by ships' officers will be charged 5s extra.

Passengers and cargo for Rockhampton by Tuesdays and Saturdays' steamers tranship at Keppel Bay.

Passengers and cargo for Port Mackay, by Tuesdays and Saturdays' steamers, tranship at Flat Top.

Passengers and cargo for Dungeness, Cardwell, Mourilyan, and Johnstone River tranship at Cleveland Bay.

Passengers and cargo for Burkstown tranship at Brisbane and Normanton.

Note.—Return tickets issued by the A. S. N. Company and Q. S. S. Company, Limited, are available by any of these steamers.

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will be despatched from the Circular Quay,
THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, at 3,
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STEAM TO BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, and ROCKHAMPTON,
(WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT).

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STEAM to BRISBANE, ROCKHAMPTON (Keppel Bay), PORT MACKAY (Flat Top), BOWEN, TOWNSVILLE, CAIRNS WHARF, PORT DOUGLAS, and COOKTOWN, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

The favourite full-powered high-class passenger steamer
BIRKSGATE, 2000 tons,
will be despatched from the Q. S. S. Co.'s Wharf TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 1 p.m., taking passengers and cargo as above.

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AUSTRALASIAN UNITED STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, Limited.

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DIRECT WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

The new magnificent high-class full-powered passenger Steamer
ROCKTON, 2000 tons,
will be despatched as above from the Circular Quay on MONDAY AFTERNOON, at 3, taking passengers and cargo as above.

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Bridge-street.

HUDDART, PARKER, and CO.'S LINE.

STEAM TO MELBOURNE DIRECT.

WENDOUREE ...	Sails To-morrow, Saturday	at 12 noon
BURRUMBEET ...	SATURDAY, May 7	at 12 noon

The powerful steel steamship
WENDOUREE, 900 tons,
F. LE NEVEU, Commander,
SAILS TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 12 noon,

The WENDOUREE is one of the fastest ships on the coast. The SECOND CABINS are amidships.

Saloon ...	...	...	£1 10 0
Return ...	...	...	2 15 0
Fore Cabin ...	...	...	0 10 0

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Office of the Marine Board of New South Wales.
Sydney, 27th April, 1887.

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WENTWORTH C. C. v. WILLIAM WENTWORTH C. C., Rushcutters Bay, 2.15.—Burcher, Sparks, Dickings, Dickinson, Milvain, Smith, Spratt, Hall, Colley, Rudd, Jiggins, Dixon.

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The PRESIDENT took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ASSENT TO BILLS.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received a message from his Excellency the Governor intimating that his Excellency had assented to the Temporary Supply Bill and Saywell's Tramway Act Amendment Bill.

THE GOULBURN TO COOMA RAILWAY.

Mr. SALOMONS laid upon the table, as exhibits only, plans, sections, and books of reference of the proposed deviation of the line of railway between Goulburn and Cooma.

REPORT.

Mr. SALOMONS laid upon the table the report of the trustees of the Australian Museum for 1886.

It was ordered that the document be printed.

PERPETUAL TRUSTEE COMPANY'S BILL.

Mr. STEPHEN brought up the report of the select committee on the Perpetual Trustee Company's Bill.

It was ordered that the report be printed.

THE BULLI DISASTER.

The PRESIDENT announced that he had received a communication from the Police Magistrate of Wollongong acknowledging the receipt of the letter of thanks to the miners who risked their lives in exploring the Bulli mine after the recent disaster, and stating that he had read the vote of thanks at a public meeting convened for the purpose.

DIVORCE EXTENSION BILL.

The debate on the motion for the second reading of the Divorce Extension Bill was resumed.

Mr. KNOX moved as an amendment to the motion,—"That the bill be read this day six months." He intended to give the bill all the opposition in his power; but at the same time he thought it right to say that he yielded to no one in the esteem and regard in which he held the mover of the bill. He considered that in this matter the hon. gentleman had from kindness of heart, and a desire to legislate for special cases, lost sight of the best and very highest interests of society. (Hear, hear.) He wished that he had the gift to express in clear and forcible language the insuperable objections—religious, social, and moral—that there were to this measure. (Hear, hear.) He would not trouble the House with any long remarks upon the religious aspect of the measure, but he frankly admitted that he was one of those who held that divorce, except for infidelity, was contrary to the Christian law. (Hear, hear.) The gulf between those who, like himself, believed that divorce, except for infidelity, should not be allowed, and those who looked upon marriage as a civil contract to be entered into to-day and set aside to-morrow, was too great to be bridged over by any persuasion or argument, and therefore he would not attempt such a task. But passing on to the moral and social objections to the bill, it appeared to him that it would affect the thoughtless and giddy, who married in haste and repented at leisure; and that it would lead to collusion to an enormous extent there could be no question. [Mr. PIDDINGTON: Hear, hear.] How did they propose to deal with the deserter under the bill? It told him to remain away for three years, and then come back, get divorced, and take another wife. [Mr. PIDDINGTON: Hear, hear.] In the case of drunkenness, it might be quite possible that the offence was caused by the temper or slatternly habits of the drunkard's wife; and in the case of criminality, it might be that a man, owing to the extravagance of his wife, might have been guilty of a breach of trust. Yet in all these cases they would grant divorce, and if a drunkard be confirmed in his vice, or a criminal or would-be murderer, what did this bill propose to find for him? Why, another victim of his brutality. [Mr. PIDDINGTON: Hear, hear.] He believed that out of 200 cases of divorce there were not 50 that came out of court with clean hands; and were they, merely for the sake of this number of men and women, to pass this law—[Mr. PIDDINGTON: Hear, hear]—and set 150 persons free to marry again? This bill would weaken the inviolability of the marriage tie, and the proper restraints which should surround the children of the first marriage, who would prove stumbling blocks to the husband on his second marriage, and probably be sent to vagabondage or something worse. He opposed the bill for the same reasons given by Sir Alfred Stephen in 1877, namely, that the alteration would not merely be at variance with the law of England and that of the other colonies of the Empire; because uniformity was essential upon such a vital subject as that of divorce from the bond of marriage, and was of the deepest importance, not alone on social, but upon national grounds, seeing that a second marriage after dissolution not being recognised in other portions of the Queen's dominions would entail most painful consequences upon the divorced wife and her offspring. These were the words of Sir Alfred Stephen attached to the protest which went home against Mr. Buchanan's bill in 1877. The hon. and learned gentleman seemed to have altered his opinion very materially since then.

Mr. PIDDINGTON: Like the Colonial Secretary.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN: Like Mr. Gladstone. (Cries of "No," and "Yes.")

Mr. KNOX said that this was not a question of divorce, but one of national and social law. He had only one more objection to deal with, and that was the pollution of society which the bill would give rise to. Deserters, drunkards, and criminals would be licensed to desert, to get drunk, and commit crime, and be divorced again and again, and marry again and again. (Hear, hear.) This act did nothing for a woman which the Matrimonial Causes Act did not do except that it allowed her to marry again. He would beseech the House to pause before countenancing such an abominable Act.

Mr. VICKERY said it was his intention to support the bill and to vote for its second reading on the ground that it was called for by the unfortunate condition of many persons. He believed that there was a principle or basis underlying the Divine command, and that was the good of man. Many persons by their conduct defeated the law of marriage in spirit, and thus in reality perpetrated an act of divorce. An hon. member told him the other day that he thought he was looked upon as the last person capable of supporting the Divorce Bill. (Hear, hear.) He had a large number of friends who would no doubt look with disfavour upon the course he was taking with regard to the bill, but he felt it was his duty to take that course; and with all reverence he would say that if the bill did run counter to the Divine commands it was justifiable, but he contended that in the spirit the bill was not a breach of the Divine command. The bill was not framed in antagonism to the Divine institution of marriage, but in order that relief might be afforded where the marriage vow had been trampled upon and made void. He believed that if the Saviour of mankind was on earth at present He would uphold the marriage tie, but he believed He would justify this bill. He hoped that some clause would be introduced into the bill which would provide a penalty in cases of divorce for the wrongdoer.

Dr. GARRAN said that two kinds of argument had been brought forward in discussing the bill viz.—the theological argument, and the argument of expediency. It was satisfactory to find that they had not had much of the theological argument, because he could not think that Parliament—in which men of all churches, and perhaps men of none were gathered together—was a proper place for discussing theological questions. Nothing, however, had been said which could give offence, and the theological argument used had been one of authority rather than criticism. Hon. members had contented themselves by saying that Christianity was opposed to the bill, and anything like deeper or further argument on that subject had been avoided. What Christianity did command with regard to marriage had always been a disputed point. The law was quite in harmony with the principles of civil and religious liberty. Nor did this bill propose to interfere with the religious liberty of anyone, and for that reason it was unfair for those who opposed the bill to force their religious liberties upon other people. The hon. member, Mr. Knox, discussed the matter very fairly from his own point of view, and argued very strongly that the bill was defective, because, though it released the woman, it did not punish the man. That seemed to him simply an argument from revenge. They had no objection to punish a man, but they had no right to say to the woman, "We cannot relieve you, simply because we cannot get at the man." This bill was not a punative measure, but one which simply gave a woman relief from her miseries and wrongs. He agreed with the hon. member Mr. Knox that the bill should be considered upon the social and not theological aspect of the question, but the hon. gentleman drew entirely upon his imagination for facts. If they were to go by the experience of other countries, why not turn to America, where 50,000,000 of their countrymen had been experimenting far more freely than we had upon the question of divorce; and although it was said that they came very badly out of the experiment, they were the best judges of that. There was not a single state in America in which divorce existed, where they had returned to the original state of things before divorce was adopted. There was a difficulty in all changes, but they must not be deterred by such a consideration if they were of opinion that the benefits which would be derived from the change would counterbalance the evils. As he thought that the good to be conferred by this measure would be greater than the evil, he was inclined to support the bill. (Cheers.)

Mr. PIDDINGTON opposed the bill, and considered it a measure aimed at the very foundations of society. He thought the balance of disadvantage and danger would be infinitely greater if the bill were passed than if the law were allowed to stand as it was now. (Hear, hear.) He supported the Divorce Bill of 1870 because he believed that the marriage tie should be dissolved for adultery, and because that was the view taken by the early reformers, because it was the views of the Church of England, and other persons, irrespective of any ecclesiastical feeling or connection. He saw good reason for granting divorce in cases of adultery, but when they got beyond that, where would they be launched into? Under this bill the dissolution of marriage would become so easy that a man could get rid of his wife with as little trouble as he would dismiss his groom or his housemaid, and it would degrade marriage into something lower than an ordinary contract. The inevitable result of passing this bill would be to lessen the sanctity of marriage. He condemned the publication of the opinion of the present Chief Justice by the mover of the bill, and considered that it was undignified for that gentleman to descend from the judicial bench and mix himself up in politics. The author of the bill had published this puff of the Chief Justice in the same way that a vendor of some quack medicine advertised his nostrum, and possibly hoped that if they swallowed it, they would also swallow the measure. He declined to swallow the nauseous dose. The bill was entirely foreign to the English law, and all colonial laws as far as he knew; and it would undermine the very foundations of society, and weaken the reverence for the marriage contract.

Mr. CHARLES said it was not his intention to oppose the bill on religious grounds, although he had a firm belief in the marriage ceremony being one of the most solemn contracts which a man could enter into. He was willing to admit that hardships did exist under the existing law, but there was something further than this to be considered, and he trusted hon. members would pause before sanctioning the bill.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, in reply, pointed out that it was quite true he opposed the bill referred to by Mr. Knox, and although he certainly should not do so now—having considerably modified his opinion on the particular point—yet he would point out that the bill referred to by the hon. member was opposed by him on grounds which would not be applicable to the present bill in any way. He was also at the time under a misconception as to the opinions expressed on the law. If he had changed his opinion, he would point out that he had not done more than far greater men than himself had done. Those who opposed the bill on social grounds, did so through drawing upon their imagination. It had been stated that there were only some 50 or 60 cases of separation; but he could bring proof to the effect that there were no less than 2400 persons who had been separated within the short space of 11 years. It had also been stated that the provisions of the bill were against the law of God, but he would ask, How was it that in moral and religious Scotland such provisions had not been considered as being against the law of God? Similar provisions to those contained in the bill had been in operation in Scotland for a number of years. A similar law also existed in Germany. With regard to sundry social evils arising through the passing of such an Act, there was in reality no proof that such evils would arise. Such strong arguments, however, had been put forward in favour of the bill that he thought it was not necessary for him to detain the House longer, but he would allow the matter to go to the vote at once.

The question that the words proposed to be omitted stand part of the question was then put and carried on the following division:—

	AYES, 16.		
Stephen, Sir A.	Hill	White	
Jacob	Holliday	Vinsary	
Stephen, S. A.	Garran	Pigott	
Stewart	Lloyd	Norton	Tellers.
Lucas	Wait	Cox	
Creed			
	NOES, 10.		
Salomons	Moore, Charles	King	
Piddington	Dodds	Thornton	Tellers.
Knox	Joseph	Mort	
Macintosh			

PAIRS.—For: Messrs. Flood and Lord. Against: Messrs. Charles and H. Moore.

The amendment was therefore negatived.

The bill was read the second time, and the House went into committee to consider the bill in detail.

The preamble was postponed.

Clause 1. "Divorce in what cases."

Mr. PIGOTT said that whilst he was in favour of the principle of the bill, he thought that some of the periods provided for by it were too short. He moved as an amendment that the period "two years," relating to habitual drunkenness, be altered to "three years." He urged that two years was too short a period to condemn men for drunkenness, and pointed out that they might reform after such a time, and become good husbands again.

Sir A. STEPHEN hoped there would be no amendments to the bill unless they were thought absolutely necessary. He disagreed with this amendment. The two years did not relate to drunkenness alone, but to habitual drunkenness, leaving a wife without support, or cruelty to her. A man would be just as likely to reform in two as in three years; but it was an exceedingly rare thing to find an habitual drunkard reform at all.

Mr. PIGOTT said that if he had thought there would be reluctance to amend the bill in detail, he should have opposed it altogether. He questioned whether, from the wording of it, the bill combined the drunkenness and cruelty together.

Mr. SALOMONS was surprised at the extent to which the clause went, as it proposed to allow of a man obtaining divorce if a woman neglected her domestic duties.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN pointed out that the neglect must have been caused through drunkenness.

Mr. SALOMONS suggested that longer time should be given to the consideration of the bill, which should not now be rushed through committee.

Sir JOHN HAY said that, because he agreed with the principle of divorce and because he felt that so far as the Legislature of the country had proceeded on this matter it had proceeded in a right direction, he was anxious to insist upon carefulness in the details of the bill. He would ask Sir Alfred Stephen not to be particular as to the words adopted, but to leave his mind open to suggestions from members favourable to the principle involved. He did not think the amendment would make the period relating to habitual drunkenness too long. Habitual drunkenness was a difficult thing to prove in a court of law, and no ground should be left for the public thinking the power given was not wise or just. In regard to another detail, what did the word "habitually" mean—"that the respondent has by continued habits of drunkenness during two years and upwards habitually left his wife," &c. He could understand the offence of a man leaving his wife without support, but why put in the word "habitually"? And did the word "or," coupling the clause, mean that the habitual neglect of domestic duties by the wife must be caused by drunkenness? The bill should be clear on these points, and leave no room for doubt.

Mr. SALOMONS contended that the words "habitual drunkenness" could not be read as governing the other provisions of the clause.

Mr. JACOB thought the House ought to confine itself to simply discussing the amendment which related to the number of years habitual drunkenness should exist.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN said that the words "habitual drunkenness" governed the rest of the clause.

Mr. SIMPSON said that if this were so a man might be guilty of brutal cruelty to his wife, and yet, if he did not combine drunkenness with it, the woman would have no redress.

Dr. GARRAN was favourable to the measure, but agreed that it required further consideration.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN said that this clause of the bill had been most carefully considered, both by himself and two Judges of the Supreme Court. He was greatly surprised at the different constructions that had been put upon it; but would be willing, if it were wanted, to allow time for fuller consideration. He thought it unfair that, because the opinions of the Chief Justice, which that gentleman had previously given utterance to in that House, had been published, he should be accused of having mixed himself up with a question of a political nature.

Mr. SALOMONS again contended that the clause was drawn in a most dangerous way, and therefore further time should be given for its consideration.

On the motion of Sir ALFRED STEPHEN, the House resumed, progress was reported, and leave given to sit again on Wednesday next.

CREMATION BILL.

Mr. CREED moved,—"That the Cremation Bill be now read the third time."

Mr. PIGOTT moved as an amendment—"That the bill be recommitted, with a view to further consideration of clauses 3 and 8."

The amendment was agreed to, and the House went into committee.

Clause 3, "Applicant to fulfil certain requirements," was amended, on the motion of Mr. Pigott, so as to provide that every applicant for a license for any crematorium must satisfy the Governor and Executive Council by statutory declaration, and by such other evidence as the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, may require, that he has, by compliance with other provisions of the clause, become entitled to a license.

The clause as amended was agreed to.

Clause 8, "Minister for Justice may forbid cremation, &c.," was amended on the motion of Mr. Simpson so as to provide a penalty of £500, or imprisonment with or without fine, for a term not exceeding three years in cases where a person in charge of a crematorium shall in contradiction of the order of the Minister for Justice, stipendiary magistrate, or police magistrate cremate or permit to be cremated any dead body.

The clause as amended was agreed to.

The House resumed, the bill was reported with amendments, and the report was adopted.

CONDITIONAL PURCHASES AND LEASES VALIDATION BILL.

Mr. SALOMONS moved that the Conditional Purchases and Leases Validation Bill be read the third time.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN said it would no doubt be admitted that this was a very unusual measure, and apparently a dangerous measure, seeing that it took away from persons a right which they possessed. He had a great difficulty in arriving at a decision as to his vote on the measure. The question appeared to him to be a very embarrassing one. If the judgment of the Supreme Court was upheld the many persons who had selected lands in reliance on the power of the Crown to confer a title would be subjected to very great hardship, if not ruinous pecuniary losses, for which the Crown might not be bound to compensate them. On the other hand the leaseholders into whose assigned area these new selections had, it might be said, intruded, in virtue of a wrong construction of the law, would obtain under that judgment the important advantage, although not the right, of occupation, which the exclusion of new-comers would secure. The lease-holding class contend, therefore, that they ought not, by interposition of the Legislature, to be deprived of the chance, if not the reasonable expectation, of a decision by the appellate tribunal in their favour, and they rightly maintained that legislation in a matter affecting which a suit at law was pending was not justifiable except under unusual and peculiar circumstances. The question was whether such circumstances existed here; and upon the whole, after much doubt, he was of opinion that they did. With respect to the actually pending suits, or those which were pending when the judgment in Edols against Tearle was propounced, they were of course not within the discussion—and the bill in express terms excluded them from its operation. They, therefore, would await the result of the Privy Council appeal, which, should it be a reversal, would practically, he presumed, operate in all cases as a validation without legislative aid. It was to meet the contingency of the Supreme Court's judgment being affirmed that this bill was introduced. He thought the measure was a right one. Was it not expedient and just that the Legislature, having by law the absolute control over Crown lands, and representing all classes in the State, should interpose and determine for, at least, non-existing litigants, what should be the disposal? Might it not authoritatively declare what was the intent of the Legislature? Courts and commentators and each House of Parliament alike could judge of enactments by the words used alone. Combined legislative authority had a higher function; the lands in question, if they belonged not to the misled purchasers, belonged certainly to no one else, and in the meantime they would be unproductive. On the whole then he was of opinion that the balance of expediency having regard to the general interest, not inconsistent with justice, was in favour of this Validating Bill, and he should therefore vote for it.

Mr. WHITE contended that the only persons who would be protected by this bill would be the few who had instituted actions in the Supreme Court. He intended to oppose the bill.

The question that the bill be read a third time was put, and carried on division by, ayes, 13; noes, 8.

The bill passed, and was returned to the Legislative Assembly with the usual message.

TRAMWAY TRAFFIC.

Mr. SIMPSON said he wished to call attention to a matter of very great importance affecting the safety of the public. It was known to all members of the House that, unfortunately, there had been, owing to our system of tramways in this city, a great number of accidents, some of a very serious nature, and, in many cases, fatal. More care should be taken to prevent accidents. People had been led to expect that the trams would stop for a minute, or a minute and a-half, at intersections of streets; but as this rule was not always obeyed, accidents might follow. He desired to draw the attention of the Vice-president of the Executive Council to the matter, hoping that some steps would be taken to afford a remedy.

Sir ALFRED STEPHEN desired to draw attention to the shocking accident which had recently occurred by which a young woman, 17 years of age, lost her life. He was inclined to think, from what he could learn, that if more time was given for ascending or descending from the trams these shocking accidents would not occur so frequently. He had on many occasions noticed that the trams started when the women had barely time to get into or out of them.

Mr. PIDDINGTON agreed that the present tramway arrangements were very dangerous. He would be glad if some system could be adopted which would do away with locomotives in the street or which would prevent the trams coming into the streets altogether.

Mr. LUCAS remarked that he would be glad if a better system of cable trams could be adopted.

Mr. SALOMONS promised that he would bring the matters under the attention of the Minister for Works.

ADJOURNMENT.

At a quarter past 9 o'clock the House adjourned until 4 o'clock p.m. on Wednesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, APRIL 28.

The SPEAKER took the chair at half-past 4.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN drew attention to a leading article which had appeared in the *Daily Telegraph* that morning, referring to the appointment of Mr. A. G. Taylor as Examiner of Patents, and Sir Patrick Jennings and Mr. Wisdom as delegates to the Imperial Conference in London. He read the article in question, and stated that in his opinion these comments were simply libellous, and it seemed to him that press criticism on the part of the journal in question had gone altogether beyond the bounds of reason.

Mr. SPEAKER reminded the hon. member that if he proceeded to comment on the article in question, he must conclude with a motion.

Sir HENRY PARKES hoped that the hon. gentleman would not move the adjournment of the House. In order to treat the matter as a question of privilege, he would say a few words in reply to it.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said that in order to save time he would not conclude with a motion, as the Premier had consented to reply.

Sir HENRY PARKES believed that the article which the hon. gentleman had read was very unjust to the Government, and especially to his hon. friend the Minister for Public Works. The only reflection he could make on the matter was, that the liberty of the press in this country was so large that it enabled men to say such disagreeable things.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. BURNS, in reply to Mr. Taylor for Mr. Hurley, said that the Marine Board regulations respecting the detached apparatus for lowering boats and provision for lifebelts would not come into force until the 30th June. They had been published, and copies of them had been served out to the different steamship-owners. The ferry steamers engaged within the harbour were not considered by the Marine Board to be under-manned for the specific duties on which they were engaged. The Marine Board Regulations only limited the speed of these steamers in the narrow waters at the head of Darling Harbour and Sydney Cove.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in reply to Mr. Thompson, said that he would have placed on the table a statement giving all the information concerning Hooper's core stored in the Berry's Bay store, which he thought could be given without injury to the public service.

Mr. CLARKE, in reply to Mr. Melville for Mr. Abbott, said the Government had not yet determined to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon the present constitution of the Supreme Court and its various branches, as they had under consideration certain bills for effecting several reforms, which, if carried into law, would, it was believed, to a large extent render such a commission unnecessary.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in reply to Mr. Walker, said he could not say that he would take any steps with a view to the punishment of the constables concerned in the arrest and temporary imprisonment of James Andrews at Parramatta. It must be borne in mind that a constable deserved the support of the authorities under whom he acted. He admitted at once that excesses of zeal or intemperate interference ought to be severely chastised; but in this case, after the fullest inquiry, there were grave circumstances which would warrant the course taken, in the case of men whose judgment was not the soundest—and they could not always expect to find in a constable the soundest of all judgment. For example without going more fully into the case, Andrews acted in an extraordinary manner; he declined to give reasonable information, such as he was bound to give. He stated that he obtained money by the sale of plate, and, in one of the numerous robberies which had taken place in Parramatta, plate had been stolen. Numbers of little circumstances seemed to justify the course taken. After the man was arrested, in his (Sir Henry Parkes') judgment the hardship arose from the conduct of the magistrates in remanding him; and he admitted that sufficient precaution was not taken to ascertain whether or not he was insane at the time, and to see that he should not be subjected to serious inconvenience, and he thought that the constables should be admonished and cautioned against such rash conduct; but he did not think there was anything in their action to justify a severer interference.

Mr. ABIGAIL, in reply to Mr. Melville, said that Mr. Mackenzie, Examiner of Coalfields, had had to complain of ventilation and other acts of non-compliance with the Coalfields Regulation Act by Mr. T. Croudace, manager of the Lambton Coal Company, seven times during the past five years.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. Schey, said that the cost of shafting made in permanent-way railway workshops, Sydney, for the railway permanent-way workshops at Goulburn, for labour and materials, was £87 2s. 2d. Adding 20 per cent. for managerial expenses and cost of workshop and plant, the total was £104 10s. 7d. The following firms tendered at the prices mentioned:—Messrs. H. P. Gregory and Co., £92 11s. 6d.; Messrs. R. L. Scrutton and Co., £86; Messrs. Tangye Brothers, £113 12s. 3d.; Messrs. Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co., £61 10s. None of the above firms, however, included in their tenders the whole of the articles required. Those omitted in Messrs. Gregory and Co.'s offer represented £7 0s.; Messrs. Scrutton and Co.'s offer represented £4; Messrs. Tangye Brothers' offer represented £4; Messrs. Briscoe, Drysdale, and Co.'s offer represented £30 5s. 6d., and they could not supply till the material was imported. The urgency of the work would not admit of this delay. Twenty per cent. was calculated for managerial expenses and cost of workshop and plant in connection with the estimated cost of work carried out in the railway permanent-way workshops.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. Schey, said that he had no objection to lay upon the table of this House the papers in the case of Mrs. Butterly, whose son was killed on the railway about two years since, provided they were moved for in the usual way.

Mr. BURNS, in reply to Mr. Stephen, said that it was found on trial that the lamp erected at Botany, on the public wharf, was unsuitable for the required purpose. A new lamp had since been provided, and instructions had been given to the lessee to light and look after the lamp.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. Stephen, said that the papers relating to the removal of the toll-bar from the Botany-road, and also the proclamation of the said road as a main road of the colony, would be laid upon the table that evening.

Mr. ABIGAIL, in reply to Mr. Walker, said that a commission to inquire into the cause of the Bulli disaster had been appointed. Some of those with whom he had communicated, with a view to their appointment as members of the commission, had declined for business reasons. One or two others also declined, not wishing to subject themselves to criticisms similar to those which had been made in the House. The names of the gentlemen appointed were—Dr. Robertson (president), G. O'Mailey Clarke, J. Y. Neilson, John Owens, and John Jones.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. Walker, said the whole of the papers relating to the designs given for the new locomotives had been laid on the table of the House.

Sir HENRY PARKES, in reply to Mr. O'Sullivan, said the proposed Antarctic expedition had been under his notice, but he had not decided what course he would recommend for the adoption of the Government in reference to contributing to the funds of the expedition.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. S. Smith, said that respecting the concessions made to millers forwarding grain and flour by railway, it was the intention of the Government, when inserting the rate in the rate-book, to include at the same time all rates and concessions now in operation in regard to the carriage of goods, live stock, &c., by railway. He would also apprise station-masters of the concession allowed for the carriage of grain and flour, in order that they might advise all interested of the rebate granted by the Department on the produce referred to.

Mr. SUTHERLAND, in reply to Mr. O'Sullivan, said that if an eligible tender was received for the manufacture in the colony of the 90 new locomotives required, it was intended that Mr. Mideiton should have the superintendence of their construction. Twenty-five of these engines were to be to Mr. Mideiton's design, and the other 25 were to a design which Mr. Mideiton had demonstrated to be infinitely superior to the type of engine which Mr. Scott proposed to introduce.

Mr. GARRETT, in reply to Mr. Stokes, for Mr. Cooke, said that he could not return to the Forbes land board, for reconsideration, the appraisements upon the leaseholds and resumed areas of Yamma and Flagstone Creek runs, because the rents had been finally determined, as by law required, and duly notified in the *Government Gazette*.

Mr. ROBERTS, in reply to Mr. Holborow, said that the plans and specifications for the post and telegraph office, Crookwell, were not being prepared. It was considered that the £1000 voted (and which would lapse at the end of the present year) would not be sufficient to erect an office affording better accommodation than the Department now possessed. The question of asking for a further vote would, however, be considered in sufficient time to admit of a contract being taken before the close of the year, if found desirable.

Mr. BURNS, in reply to Mr. Brunker, without notice, said that five seizures of tobacco, cigars, opium, and other dutiable articles had been made at the port of Newcastle for the five years previous to the appointment of the present tide-surveyor. Forty-five seizures of a like character had been made from the date the present tide-surveyor undertook the duties of his office to the 20th April last. The goods so seized had been confiscated and disposed of, in compliance with the terms of the Customs Duties Act and the Customs regulations. The tide-surveyor who made such seizures derived no pecuniary benefit beyond that conceded by the head of the Customs Department, and allowed under the like circumstances as compensation to officers holding similar positions at other ports.

THE COMPULSORY EDUCATION CLAUSE.

Mr. F. SMITH asked the Minister for Public Instruction, without notice, whether he was aware that in instances where persons were summoned by the attendance officers for non-attendance in Public schools medical certificates presented in defence were not received as evidence, but medical gentlemen were required to attend personally. If this was the case, would he take such steps as were necessary to prevent a repetition of such tyranny?

Mr. INGLIS replied that only one case of this kind had come under his notice, and he had already taken steps to ensure that such a stupid mode of procedure should not again occur.

BILLS ASSENTED TO.

Mr. SPEAKER announced the receipt of a message from the Governor assenting to the Temporary Supply Bill, and a message assenting to Saywell's Tramway Act Amendment Bill.

PAPERS.

Mr. SUTHERLAND laid on the table a return giving information respecting premises rented by the Government; also copies of papers in connection with the removal of the toll bar from the Botany-road as a main road of the colony.

Mr. INGLIS laid on the table the report of the trustees of the Museum for 1886, and a notification of the resumption of land for Public school purposes at Simpson's Ridge.

It was ordered that the documents be printed.

PETITIONS.

Mr. BURDEKIN, on behalf of Mr. Riley, presented a petition from 31,213 persons interested in the tobacco industry, against the proposed increased excise duty.

Sir HENRY PARKES presented a petition from inhabitants of Manly, Manly Vale, Balgowlah, Middle Harbour, French's Forest, Pittwater, and the surrounding districts, relative to the almost impassable state of the Government roads leading from Manly Beach and through the districts named.

The petitions were received.

THE CORONER AT RYDE.

Mr. F. FARNELL asked the Colonial Secretary if he were in a position to give him the information he had asked for on a previous occasion relative to Mr. Manning, the coroner at Ryde.

Sir HENRY PARKES said that he had given this case considerable attention, as he had said before. The papers were very voluminous, and the answer he would give to the question would be at some length, and he wished to have it stated in the records of the House. Therefore he would like the hon. gentleman to give notice of the question for the following day.

COMMISSIONERS OF TITLES.

Mr. TRICKETT said that on the 14th April last the Colonial Secretary had stated he would be in a position to give him some definite information with regard to the fees paid to the Commissioners under the Real Property Act.

Sir HENRY PARKES said he must acknowledge that he was not prepared to give the answer desired, but he would be prepared to do so on Tuesday next.

CROOKWELL CHURCH LAND SALE BILL.

Mr. HOLBOROW moved for leave to bring in a bill to enable the Right Rev. William Lanigan, the Rev. Michael Slattery, Daniel O'Brien, and Michael Tully, trustees of certain land in the county of King, parish of Crookwell, town of Crookwell, to sell the said land, and to provide for the appropriation of the proceeds thereof.

The motion was agreed to.

BETTING HOUSES SUPPRESSION ACTS.

Mr. ABBOTT moved for leave to bring in a bill "To amend the Betting Houses Suppression Acts of 1876 and 1880."

The motion was agreed to.

RABBIT EXTERMINATION.

Mr. ABBOTT moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of the House a return showing the names of each of the pastoral holdings in the colony, and the district in which the same is situated, which are reputed as being infected with rabbits; the total expenditure in each year on each of such holdings, since the passing of the Rabbit Act, in and towards the extermination of such rabbits; the amount paid by the Department of Mines to each of the owners of such holdings as a subsidy for the cost of such extermination; the rents of each of such holdings, including the resumed area, paid by the lessees thereof before the passing of the Land Act of 1884; the present appraised rents of such holdings, including the resumed area."

The motion was agreed to.

ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT DAY.

Sir HENRY PARKES moved,—"That, unless otherwise ordered, on and after Tuesday, the 3rd May next, Government business shall take precedence of general business after 7 o'clock p.m. on Tuesdays." He said he did so in order to assist the Government in pressing on the business of this session. It was impossible for him or any other hon. member to consider the business of this session without looking forward to the business of the next; and it was because of the most unfortunate position in which the whole business of the country was placed that hon. gentleman ought to assist the Government to bring the session to a close. It was most desirable that the affairs of the country should be brought into a normal and healthy state, and in order that that should be done the session which belonged to this year must begin sufficiently early, so as to be concluded at the end of the year. In view of the unfortunate state of public business, he felt himself justified in asking hon. members to give up Tuesday nights for the sake of Government business. He was unwilling to subject gentlemen to more inconvenience than was necessary, but he hoped that they would cordially agree with him that, everything considered, the Government should have the remainder of the night on Tuesdays after 7 o'clock. He was not quite sure that it was a regular sessional order in Victoria, but recently on looking at the report of some proceedings in the Legislative Assembly of Victoria he found that the rule prevailed there. His impression was that it was a permanent rule, but he was not quite sure. The report applied to the day when private business is taken, and he noticed that when 7 o'clock arrived, the House being in committee, the committee reported, the House was formed, and Government business at once proceeded with. He trusted he should have no opposition to this motion.

Mr. ABBOTT said that he would oppose the motion. He directed attention to the utterances of the hon. member himself and the Colonial Treasurer when a similar proposal was made by the late Government on May 6, 1886, after the House had been in session since November 17 previously. He was the more opposed to the motion in consequence of the action of the Minister for Mines on Tuesday night, when he moved the adjournment of the House and prevented hon. members from going on with their business. During the seven years he (Mr. Abbott) had been in Parliament he had never known of such a motion by a Minister. In consequence of Mr. Abigail's motion for adjournment, he (Mr. Abbott) had been obliged to withdraw the resolution relating to the appointment of Mr. Salomons, and give notice of it for May 31 next. Doubtless when it came on it would be said that, as it had been deferred for so long, it was not worth while going on with it. And what had Mr. Henson done the previous Friday night? He moved the adjournment of the House, and kept hon. members there till 10 o'clock before the regular business of the day could be proceeded with. It was far from his mind to obstruct the business of the Government, as he well recognised that the affairs of the country must be attended to. But what did Mr. Burns say with regard to a similar motion which had been proposed last session, after the House had been sitting for nearly six months?—that it was too soon to ask hon. members to give the Government an additional day. What did Mr. Burns mean? Did he want the House to be in session nine or ten months before a resolution of this kind should have been proposed? If it was not justifiable after six months, was it justifiable after six weeks? Whenever the Opposition accused the Government of having done things for which they were now blaming the Opposition, they were met by the explanation that the conditions and circumstances had changed since May last year. That was what they were continually hearing. I.e., the circumstances had changed very much so far as the Ministry were concerned. Sir Henry Parkes on the same occasion had said that "the Government would show their wisdom by withdrawing their motion, as what they would gain by taking Tuesday night they would lose on Government night." The Premier had said on a previous occasion that the House would probably be prorogued on April 21; but if Sir Henry Parkes had given any consideration to that statement, he must have known that it was utterly impossible in that time to pass the Government Estimates and repeal the ad valorem duties. It was a statement made simply that it might go forth to the general public, who were unacquainted with the procedure of the House. The members of the present Opposition had been accused of obstruction, but he took leave to say that there never had been a more obstructive Opposition than that of the last session. If the members of the present Opposition chose to resort to the tactics which had previously been employed by men calling themselves statesmen, the Premier should be gratified by the realisation of his own utterances. The Premier should be aware that hon. members had business, however unimportant in the eyes of the Government, to bring forward, and they had a right to have it dealt with by the House. It was unreasonable to ask the House to give up Tuesday at this early stage of the session; and if he did not get an opportunity of dealing with the resolution which he had had so long on the paper, he would move it as an amendment on the motion to go into Committee of Supply.

Mr. CHANTER opposed the motion on the ground that it was exceedingly unfair to country members. Business emanating from the private members was often of as much importance as anything initiated by the Government.

Mr. MELVILLE urged the Premier to withdraw this resolution. He pointed out that the Premier himself had strongly opposed a similar resolution moved by the Dibbs Government when there was more necessity for it than in the present circumstances, and he quoted from Sir Henry Parkes's remarks on that occasion. He also referred to the position then taken up by the present Minister for Mines. The time proposed to be allowed to private members would not be sufficient. If this was a session belonging to last year, as the Premier had stated, it was the fault of the Premier himself in blocking business last year in his desire to get into office. Even now, the Government had given no evidence of any desire to go on with public business. It would have been better to adopt the suggestion he had made at the beginning of the session, and do away with the Friday sitting, and take Tuesdays for motions and orders of the day alternately.

Mr. TOOHEY trusted there would be a division taken on the motion. On a previous occasion some eight of the members of the present Ministry voted against a resolution asking that private members should allow Government business to have precedence on Tuesday evenings. He believed that whatever the Government would gain by taking Tuesday nights would probably be lost on Government nights, because private members would bring their business up on those nights by moving the adjournment of the House. They had now been in session some six weeks, and the Premier's motion would have come with as good grace 10 days ago as now. There was a notice of motion on the business-paper in the name of the hon. member for Monaro (Mr. O'Mara) for Tuesday next, proposing to expunge certain resolutions on the records of the House moved by Sir Henry Parkes, and having reference to the negotiations of the hon. member for Camden (Mr. Garrett) with Mr. Russell, solicitor to the Millburn Creek Copper-mining Company. It was remarkable that the Premier should ask that Tuesday evening should be given up to Government business before that motion was submitted. The Premier should withdraw his motion, under the circumstances, and table it some time after the date fixed for consideration of the motion of Mr. O'Mara.

Mr. SEE supported the resolution, and protested against the time of the country being wasted. He hoped hon. members would give serious consideration to the financial proposals of the Government, and see their way to settle the matter without further delay. The country was anxiously awaiting a settlement of it, and hon. members on both sides of the House should render assistance, not in the interest of the Government, but of the country. [Sir HENRY PARKES: Hear, hear.] He thought there should be a determination on the part of hon. members when a motion for adjournment was made to discuss nothing except the question for which that motion was intended. (Hear, hear.)

Sir HENRY PARKES, in reply, said that the hon. member for Wentworth (Mr. Abbott) had misrepresented a statement made by him some time ago. He had examined the report of his remarks in the official debates, and found that what he really did say was that he hoped, with the assistance of hon. members, that Parliament would be prorogued about the close of April or the beginning of May. He could not understand how a statement of that character could have been in any sense whatever misrepresented. Now, he could not but remind the hon. member for Wentworth that when he (Sir Henry Parkes) moved the adoption of the sessional orders he himself was desirous of limiting the time of meeting for the business of Parliament, and if he remembered correctly the hon. member was anxious that Parliament should meet only three days in the week instead of four. [Mr. ABBOTT: Hear, hear.] Surely that was a greater limitation than he (Sir Henry Parkes) proposed. The private members had Friday for their own business.

Mr. ABBOTT: Fridays are no use.

Sir HENRY PARKES said that if members chose, Fridays could be just as much use as other days. When they considered how small a number formed a quorum of the House, surely if hon. gentlemen had any desire to see the public business conducted properly and efficiently, a quorum might be maintained on Fridays. Only last Friday the business contin

£858,568 in 1884, or £728,168 more in the former year. That was a serious matter, and helped to explain the depression. His figures, he might say, were taken from the *Statistical Register* and the returns of the colony. In reference to the question of remitting the ad valorem duties, he might say that we imported in 1886 manufactured goods to the value of £5,937,499. The 5 per cent. ad valorem on these goods brought in something like £300,000, which was not felt, and could not be detrimental to the trade of the port. (Hear, hear.) The Treasurer proposed, as a set-off for this remission, to increase the duty on grog. He did not profess to be a teetotaler, but he thought the encouragement of sobriety and morality was a matter of general interest. It was a disgrace to the country that whenever an extra shilling was required in the way of revenue an increased duty should be put on spirits. It would encourage smuggling and illicit distillation. The dearer the grog was made, the worse it was for the people, because instead of the pure spirit they got a mixture more like poison than anything else. He was sure the Treasurer would not see his anticipations realised so far as the revenue expected from grog was concerned, and the extra £278,655 must come out of the consumers' pockets. It would be far better to go in for prohibition than to continue increasing the duty in order to provide money to make our roads and bridges, and to meet the expenses of the public service generally. The Treasurer expected to get by the excise duty on beer £225,000 gross revenue; but he did not tell them how much it would cost for collection. He considered the Treasurer was unlikely to realise his estimate in this case also. In fact, the Treasurer's proposals would not give him within £100,000 of what he expected to get. In putting an increased duty on beer, the hon. gentleman was simply offering a premium to drink the imported article, and the result would be to do great harm to an important local industry. Even if beer were to the working man a luxury, it was not fair for the Treasurer to squeeze him in every way he could. The effect of the excise duty would be to give increased employment to the English working man as against ourselves—to give a premium to labour outside the colony. They all had a desire to find employment for the working classes, and to see them paid a fair wage. He contended that the policy which was being pursued, whilst proving beneficial to the Germans and French and other nationalities, would be injurious to our own labour market. They were told that the coming to this port of the German and French mail ships was a benefit to the port, and was due entirely to the fiscal policy; but he maintained that, apart altogether from our policy, we had attractions for shipping, not the least of which were our coal mines. The trade of the world had become revolutionised, and we must open our eyes to the necessity of providing for that change of circumstances.

Mr. M'ELHONE said that the action of the Government, in supporting the resolution passed the other night providing for the manufacture in the colony of one hundred locomotives, had come upon him as a great shock. The Government came in as out-and-out freetraders, and yet they had now supported a motion which was of a strongly protective character. Of course he was going to vote for the Government on this occasion. He could not say he altogether agreed with the tariff they had introduced. In his opinion they had gone a great deal too far, and they had left highly protective duties on the tariff. Their action would be injurious to farmers who sent to market bacon, butter, and ham. It struck him that a great deal of the opposition to the Government offered by Mr. Ewing and Mr. See was due to the fact that the Government altogether ignored the proposed railway from Grafton to Glen Innes, and that from Grafton to the Tweed. The hon. member for Grafton had asserted that he would oppose every Government that refused to propose the construction of the Grafton to Glen Innes line. They were told that the imposition of the excise duty would lead to the crushing of a colonial industry, but it should not be forgotten that the malt, hops, and sugar used by brewers were the produce not of this colony but of other countries. The amount of labour employed in the manufacture of colonial beer was quite insignificant. He hoped that the Government would yet see their way to restore some of the duties they had abolished. It struck him as a great anomaly that imported carriages should come in free, and the local manufacturers of carriages, as well as the tanners of japanned leather, should have to pay duty upon the articles they used in their manufactures. After the action of the Government in respect to the resolution for the manufacture of 100 locomotives, he had no hesitation in saying that if he followed the lead of the present Government he would before long become an out and out protectionist. He considered that if any hon. member wanted to secede from the free-trade party, he would be quite justified in doing so, after the action of the Government in supporting a protectionist amendment, because particular interests were paralysed. If he had been in the House he would certainly have voted against the amendment. On looking through the tariff, he found that there were 163 articles taxed previously, but the present Government had struck out 125 of them, only leaving 38 on the list. There had been no outcry against the duties on bacon, ham, cheese, and a good many other articles; but he found that the Government had struck out the duties on bacon, ham, and cheese, but had kept the duty on dressed and undressed timber. There was *quite as* much protection in putting a duty on timber as there was in putting it on bacon, ham, and cheese. The duty had also been kept on oils, naphtha and gasoline included, but the importation of these two articles was so small as to make the duty scarcely worth collecting. He entirely disapproved of the 2s. per gallon duty on spirits. Putting aside the question of illicit distilling or smuggling, when the duty was put on they would get an entirely inferior class of spirits, adulterated in some way, which would be far more harm to the people of the colony than they would gain from the extra duty. He very much doubted if the extra duty would give an increased revenue, as the consumption would fall off. The duties would be passed on to the public by the publicans. The publican paid 2s. per gallon more, but put 1d. per glass on it. He reckoned that there were 64 glasses of rum in a gallon; so that the publican put 5s. 4d. on for the 2s. he had to pay. The brewers would act in the same way, and pass the duty on to the publicans, who would pass it on to the customers; and very likely it would result in a greater amount of ale being drunk. If this was the effect of the tax, he for one would be very much pleased by it. If the people spent less money on rum and desolation, they would have a larger amount to spend on other articles which would be of more benefit to them. He failed to see why articles of luxury should be allowed to come into the colony free of duty, whilst other articles which were not used in manufactures were taxed. He could not find it in his conscience to say that gold and silver articles, buggies, and carriages should come in free, whilst the man who wished to build a vehicle here had to pay duties on his timber, his oil, varnish, and other articles. He thought the duties on bacon and cheese might well have been left untouched. If it were fair to keep the duties on kerosene and sugar for revenue purposes, the same reasons which would justify the retention of these duties would justify the keeping on of the 2d. per lb. on ham, bacon, and cheese. He voted against the excise duty on tobacco. He believed that tobacco, if not a necessary of life, was a luxury which nearly everyone enjoyed; but, although he voted against the excise duty on tobacco, he would support the duty on beer, because he believed it was the curse of the country. He trusted that we should get the surplus which the Colonial Treasurer promised, and be able to reduce the deficit. He failed altogether to see why a free-trade Government should levy taxation on raw material such as timber, whilst manufactured articles were allowed to come in free. This was not a free-trade tariff at all. To his mind the Treasurer had a very crude, rough way of going through the tariff; it was a sort of blindman's buff, for he had *struck off* certain articles and left others on the list which had a far higher protective duty than those which were removed.

Mr. NEILD was glad to find that the Government proposed to give six or nine months' notice before repealing the ad valorem duties, as that would help to get rid of existing stocks upon which duty had already been paid. There were, however, some portions of the Ministerial scheme with which he could not agree, as, for instance, the present was scarcely the time, even in the interests of free trade, to remove duties which had been in existence for about 20 years, and under the fostering influence of which many struggling factories had been called into existence. It was unwise to place the farmers in increased competition with the agriculturists of the other colonies. It appeared to him that the proposal to remove these duties was prompted rather by free trade consistency than a desire for the general well-being. With regard to the excise duty on beer, he considered that those engaged in the trade had taken an extreme view of the matter, which was indicated by the retail programme put forward by them, and upon which they relied to make a profit of 150 per cent out of the duty. He would nevertheless like to see an increased duty put upon the higher class of wines, as that would have removed the suspicion of unfairness with which the Government proposals were regarded. A property tax, he considered, should take the form of a local self-government tax. That impost must come in due course, and there was little need, therefore, for quarrelling with the Government that they had not provided for it immediately. He was not in favour of wholesale dismissals from the Civil Service, as they would inevitably have the effect of swelling the ranks of the unemployed. It was true that the dimensions of the service were unnecessarily large, but they might safely look to natural causes, such as deaths, resignations, and dismissals to reduce the ranks of the Civil Service to their proper limits. The Ministry sat in the House with the full approbation of the majority of the country, and therefore any opposition would be futile. With certain modifications, he trusted that the proposals of the Government would be accepted.

Mr. H. CLARKE suggested the adjournment of the debate till Tuesday next.

Sir HENRY PARKES said that, if there was any reasonable prospect of the debate being concluded on Tuesday next, he would not object to the adjournment.

Mr. ABBOTT said that, as far as he could ascertain, it was the intention of the Opposition to consent to the debate closing on Tuesday, and as far as he could do so he would see that that intention was carried out.

The House resumed, progress was reported, and leave given to sit again on Tuesday next.

ADDITIONAL JUDGE BILL.

Mr. W. CLARKE moved the second reading of the Supreme Court Sixth Judge Bill. He said that it had been found upon inquiry that the appointment of a sixth Judge could not be obviated, and that such a course was necessary in order to carry on the business of the Supreme Court properly, and get rid of the arrears which were always arising.

Mr. ABBOTT supported the bill, and pointed out that it was very desirable that steps should be taken to deal with the cases before the Supreme and Equity Courts with as much rapidity as possible. The present Chief Justice deserved great credit for what he had done in this respect, and when it was considered that some cases had now been before the Equity Court for over 12 months, it would be admitted that some immediate reform was absolutely necessary.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was read the second time.

The House then went into committee to consider the clauses of the bill in detail.

Clause 2—"Power to appoint sixth Judge of the Supreme Court"—was verbally amended and agreed to.

The remaining clauses and preamble were agreed to without amendment.

The bill was reported to the House with an amendment, and the report was adopted.

CONDITIONAL PURCHASES AND LEASES VALIDATION BILL.

The SPEAKER read a message from the Legislative Council, returning the Conditional Purchases and Leases Validation Bill with amendments.

CENTENARY OF THE COLONY.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN asked when the Premier would be in a position to inform the House as to the intentions of the Government in regard to the celebration of the centenary of the colony.

Sir HENRY PARKES replied that he would fix a day very soon—probably next week.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House adjourned at 17 minutes to 12 till 4 o'clock p.m. on Friday.

NEW NOTICES.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.—FRIDAY, APRIL 29.

Mr. Walker to move,—That there be laid upon the table of this House all the papers and documents in connection with the conduct which led to the removal of the late acting police magistrate at Corowa.

Mr. Allen to move,—That this House will, on the 17th May next, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider the expediency of bringing in a bill to regulate the sale and delivery of fuel.

Mr. Holborow to move,—That the Crookwell Roman Catholic Church Land Sale Bill be referred to a select committee, with power to send for persons and papers, for consideration and report. 2. That such committee consist of Mr. Balfour, Mr. Ball, Mr. Teece, Mr. Garrett, Mr. Gibbes, Mr. Sydney Smith, Mr. Frank Farnell, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Davis, and the mover.

TUESDAY, MAY 3.

Mr. M'Court to move,—That there be laid upon the table of this House a return showing: 1. The actual number of days during 1886 Mr. District Court Judge M'Farlane was engaged in hearing cases in Courts of Quarter Sessions and District Courts. 2. The number of cases disposed of where the amount claimed was £20 and under, distinguishing the defended from the undefended cases. 3. The like information with regard to all other District Court Judges.

Mr. M'Court to move,—That there be laid upon the table of this House a return showing the number of cases disposed of during 1886 by the Judges of the Supreme Court, where the amount claimed was £200 and under, and did not involve the title to land.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4.

Sir Henry Parkes to move,—That this House agrees to the annexed address to the Queen, conveying the congratulations of Parliament to her Majesty on the auspicious event of the completion of the jubilee year of her reign, and authorises Mr. Speaker to sign such address on behalf of the Legislative Assembly in conformity with the President of the Legislative Council, on behalf of the Legislative Council:—"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty. May it please your Majesty,—We, the members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to approach your Majesty, and to offer our loyal and heartfelt congratulations on the completion of the fiftieth year of your Majesty's beneficent reign. We humbly trust that the Almighty may long preserve your life; that the weight of your great sorrows may be lightened by wise counsels, giving happiness to your people; that you may at all times be sustained by the loyal attachment and affection of your subjects in all parts of the Empire; and we dutifully assure your Most Gracious Majesty that in no portion of your vast dominions are the sentiments of loyalty and love for your throne and person more warmly cherished than by the inhabitants of New South Wales. On behalf and in the name of the Legislative Assembly, SPEAKER."

FRIDAY, MAY 6.

Mr. Jones to move,—That the report from the select committee on "claim of Matthew Ryan to a tin mine at Pheasant's Creek," brought up on the 21st April, 1887, be now adopted.

THE UNEMPLOYED.

Yesterday a few additional labourers were forwarded for road-making purposes to the neighbourhood of Waterfall. Twenty of these went to Clifton-road, and an equal number to Madden's Plains. During the evening also, about six others were despatched to various places up country, to situations which they certified to having obtained. With the few exceptions little or no change has occurred in connection with the agitation, beyond the fact that the crowds in King-street appear to be daily increasing in their numbers and in their demands. Fresh faces—many clearly not those of metropolitans—are noticeable on all sides. A few are already commencing to dribble back from one or other of the relief works, which are rapidly approaching completion. It is calculated that during or at the expiration of the next three or four weeks, not far short of 3000 men, who are thus employed, will be again in search of work. In response to an official inquiry, as to whether the Government Immigration Barracks are or are not suitable for sleeping quarters for some of the men, Mr. Wise has reported to Sir Henry Parkes that probably a couple of hundred males could be accommodated, if necessary. Considerable expense would, however, be entailed in the appointment of watchmen, &c. It is also pointed out that applicants, if granted permission to shelter there, would have to provide their own sleeping accommodation, as the building is not provided with the requisite bedding. It has not yet been publicly stated what officer will be appointed vice Mr. Deering, Metropolitan District Surveyor, who has applied to be relieved of the head control of matters relating to the unemployed question and to the Government relief works.

We have been given to understand that no Governmental limitation was made with respect to the number of local unemployed who were to be taken on at Parramatta under the State 50 per cent. subsidy, and that the offer was an open one. It is estimated that there are nearly 100 labouring men out of employment in the town alluded to.

Our correspondent writes that yesterday 55 men called at the Parramatta Council-chambers, and asked to be employed on the "extra works" proposed to be commenced by the Council under the agreement with the Government. It is known that many of these men are anxious to obtain employment, but it is thought that some of them belong to that class who, as the Mayor expressed it at the Council meeting on Wednesday, are always anxious to get as far away from work as possible. With reference to a statement that the Government had limited the number of men to be employed to 20, the following copy of a letter, which was laid before a special meeting of the Parramatta Borough Council on Wednesday, and acted upon, will thoroughly explain the point:—"Colonial Secretary's Office, Sydney, April 23, 1887. Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, requesting that the Colonial Secretary will sanction the employment by the borough council of Parramatta of the men who are without work in that district on the following stipulations, namely:—1. The workmen to be natives of Parramatta, or residents there for some time. 2. The men to be engaged in clearing, stumping, and improving the unmade streets of the town, or such other work required by the municipality as may not clash with the employment of skilled artisans. 3. The rate of wages not to exceed 6s. per day, the council to pay one-half and the Government the other half. 4. All men so employed to be approved of by the mayor and council of the borough as a guarantee for their belonging to the town, and being unable to procure work. In reply thereto, I am desired to inform you that Sir Henry Parkes approves of the employment of the men in question on the terms abovementioned on condition that they must be engaged on extra works, and must not in any case displace other men in the service of the municipality. I have, &c., CRITCHETT WALKER, Principal Under-Secretary. Hugh Taylor, Esq., M.P., Parramatta."

TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

A further meeting of the committee of the New South Wales Trades and Labour Council was held in the Temperance Hall yesterday evening. The president, Mr. Minnie, occupied the chair. The business was to revise the rules of the council still more, with a view to making its principles more acceptable to other trade societies which are not yet affiliated with the main body. This, it is fully believed, can be readily effected without any cardinal concession upon either side, and for some time past the members of the committee, and others, have busily occupied themselves to this intent. A private letter was read from the London delegate (Mr. John Norton), who is now on his return voyage to Australia. It enclosed a voluminous and final report of his various labours and transactions with different trades bodies throughout Great Britain. The substance of the reports will, probably, not be made public until a full decision has been arrived at.

THE UNEMPLOYED—£100,000 A-YEAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I have no doubt most of your readers noticed the very sensible letter of Mr. William Cope on the above heading, in your Friday's issue.

Now, I am a lessee of certain Crown lands in the Eastern division, which, like a great deal of the country about here, is thickly timbered and covered with scrub. And I have made a direct offer to the Government to clear all this scrub if I am allowed an extension of my five years' lease to 25 years. This will necessarily employ a number of men. I will clear it all thoroughly and completely—make plains of it, in fact, and will ask no subsidy from the Government (as was offered to the municipalities); will clear all their land for them free of expense. And, as I have no doubt many others holding scrub lands will be ready to make the same offer, here will at once be any amount of work for all the unemployed in the country—in fact, men will be at a premium.

An answer to my offer will, I think, be anxiously looked for by a large number of lessees, and also by the whole of the unemployed, and its acceptance or refusal will pretty well decide whether the policy of the Government is favourable to improving the public estate, and also in a bona-fide way finding permanent employment to the large amount of men now seeking work. I am, &c.,

Thalgarrah, Eastern Division. H. E. BIGG.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says that the grand jury at the Surrey sessions on March 7 made a presentment declaring that it is desirable that corporal punishment should be inflicted on persons convicted of outrages on women and children.

LAW REPORT.

INSOLVENCY COURT.—THURSDAY, APRIL 28.

(*Before the* CHIEF COMMISSIONER.)

ACCOUNT AND PLANS.

In the matter of Josef Kretschmann an extension of time for account and plans was granted till the 28th of July.

In the matter of Martin William Saul, an extension of time was granted till the 26th May.

In the matter of Frederick John Wright and James Wright an extension of time was granted till the 28th July.

In the matter of Henry Woods, an extension of time was granted until the 26th May.

COMPULSORY SEQUESTRATION.

Maurice Neustadt and Abraham Abrahams *versus* Alfred Carter. On the application of Mr. Levy, an adjournment till the 5th proximo was allowed.

ACCOUNT AND PLANS.

In the matter of Thomas Andrew Crowe. Caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

In the matter of Thomas Bowdren, also of James Corbett. No caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

COMPULSORY SEQUESTRATION.

Frederick Gannon and John M'Laughlin *versus* William John Wilson. By consent an adjournment was allowed until the 12th May on payment of costs of the day, an order to admit of objections being filed.

Dalton Brothers *versus* J. C. F. Peters. On the application of Mr. Rich, schedule and statement allowed within 10 days after service.

Daily Telegraph Newspaper Co., Limited, v. W. H. L. Bailey. Mr. Browning applied for the order *nisi* to be made absolute. The application was granted. Schedule and statement to be verified and filed within 10 days after service.

John Wesley Goodsell v. John Aspinall. Mr. M'Cormick applied for the order to be made absolute. No objections. Application granted. Schedule and statement to be verified and filed within 10 days after service.

RATIFICATION OF DIRECTIONS.

In the matter of P. R. Richardson and also R. J. Nesbitt. Directions ratified.

ACCOUNTS AND PLANS.

Re John Alexander Rose. No caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

Re Edmund Londsdale. No caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

Re Henry Ernest Elliott. No caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

Re Valentine Branbeck. No caveat lodged. Allowed and confirmed.

PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION.

No. 8 Temora Gold-mining, Washing, and Puddling Company, No Liability, and Act 44, Vic., No. 23, adjourned petition for dissolution of company. Order made for dissolution.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Re L. F. Sachs. Motion for rule *nisi* for attachment. Order made returnable 5th May.

Re Robert Phillips. Motion by Mr. Morris to vary order admitting claim of James Aitken and Co. for £204 8s., by reducing same to £1529 19s. 2d., on written consent of claimant. Order accordingly.

SURRENDERS.

Louis Iverson, of Albury, teacher of music. Liabilities, £149 9s.. Assets, £1. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

George Frost, of Saumarez Ponds, near Armidale, farmer. Liabilities, £187 4s. 8d. Assets, £2. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

John Knapp, of Bathurst, storekeeper. Liabilities, £3200 15s. Assets, £2249 3s. 1d. Mr. E. M. Stephen, official assignee.

Edward Sison Aughtie, Sydney. Liabilities, £223 5s. 4d. Assets, £8 11s. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

John Anderson, of 695, George-street, Sydney, bootmaker. Liabilities, £239 3s. 4d. Assets, £57. Mr. S. Lyons, official assignee.

Edward John Tanner and Alfred George Reed, of Burwood, builders. Liabilities, £432 0s. 9d. Assets, £5. Mr. A. Morris, official assignee.

George Hennessey, of Glen Innes, boarding-house keeper. Liabilities, £163 15s. 9d. Assets, £93 3s. 10d. Mr. S. Lyons, official assignee.

Thomas Cornell, of Glen Innes, baker. Liabilities, £124 16s. 6d. Assets, £20 0s. 10d. Mr. E. M. Stephen, official assignee.

In regard to the single meeting held in Frederick Arnold's estate on Wednesday, it was stated that insolvent did not attend. As a matter of fact insolvent did attend, and stated that he did not wish to alter his schedule. Four debts were also proved.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.

THURSDAY.

(*Before Mr. District Court Judge* WILKINSON.)

PLUMMER AND ANOTHER V. PANNELL.

This was an interpleader sent down from the Supreme Court for trial. The issue was contained in an affirmation by James Plummer and Benjamin James Owen, denied by Robert Pannell, that certain goods and chattels seized in execution by the sheriff under a writ of *fi. fa.*, recovered by Robert Pannell against one Henry Watson, were at the time of the delivery of the said writ to the sheriff the property of the said James Plummer and Benjamin James Owen, as against Robert Pannell. His Honor decided in favour of the claimants.

HERMANN V. RELY.

An action for rent sent from the Supreme Court for trial. The plaintiff, Morris Hermann, sued Peter Rely for rent of a shop and dwelling-house in Castlereagh-street, Coonamble. Mr. O'Connor, instructed by Mr. M. E. A'Beckett, appeared for the plaintiff; Dr. R. M. Sly, instructed by Mr. Shorter, for the defendant. The plaintiff alleged that the defendant rented the premises for 12 months from the 13th April, 1885, at £1 5s. a-week, payable monthly; and that six months' rent was still due, and the plaintiff claimed £34 1s. The defence was that the defendant did not become a tenant of the plaintiff, or occupy the said shop and dwelling-house upon the terms alleged. It appeared that the matter had been taken in hand by Mrs. Rely, and the defendant denied any knowledge of the proceedings or having given authority for them. A verdict was given for the defendant.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY, APRIL 29.

Chamber List.—At 10 a.m.: Thompson and others v. Anderson, Hunter v. Spangenberg, Browne v. Buttle, Rennick and others v. Freedlander, Champion Copper-mining Company v. Stokes, same v. same, Wells v. Delany and another, Brooker v. Lester, Ferguson and another v. National Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Jones v. Australasian Steam Navigation Company, Equitable Life Assurance Society of N. S. Wales v. Pottier, Callaghan v. Jones, Lovett v. Palmer, Sparkes v. Watson, Friend v. Bale, Guy v. Ambrose, Anderson and others v. M'Cracken, Rodericks and others v. Jones, Reynolds v. Bate and another. Jurors' lines.

Master's Office.—At 9.30 a.m.: Lunacy. At 2 p.m.: Act 50 Vic., No. 20, and Mort, deceased, to settle draft endorsement.

INSOLVENCY BUSINESS.

Friday.—William Benjamin Gibbs, Walter Robert Nicklees, Robert Moody and Mark Aarons, George Anderson, John Joseph Carugati, George Henry Pritchard, Henry Josiah West, third meetings; William Swain, Joseph Lord Ashley, single meetings; Thomas Edwards, second meeting; David Saunders White, single meeting; John W. Peck, second meeting; Patrick J. English, *single meeting*; Frederick Edward Harris, third meeting. At 10 a.m., before the Registrar: John James Jones, Henry Edmund Southey, James Sinclair M'Dougall, Gottlieb De Mestre, first meetings.

DISTRICT COURT.—FRIDAY, APRIL 29.

Supreme Court Issues.—Nilson v. Thornton, Kirchner and others v. Rogers, Wamsley v. Anderson.

Causes.—Oppenheimer v. Reynolds and another, same v. same, Fulton v. Read.

POLICE.

Mr. O'Malley Clarke, S.M., presided in the Charge Division of the CENTRAL POLICE COURT yesterday morning. Mary Ann Miller and Nellie Stewart, vagrants, were sentenced to a month's and three months' imprisonment with hard labour respectively. Frederick Abbott received a sentence of three days' imprisonment for stealing a bunch of flowers, the property of Mr. Fergusson, a shopkeeper in the Royal Arcade. Charles Herbert Pickering was convicted of stealing £10, the money of his stepfather, James M'Cullough. The parties had been living together in Arthur-street, Leichhardt, and the money was taken from a wardrobe to which the prisoner had access. On being arrested and searched, there were found on his person £8 2s. in notes and silver, and a watch and chain. He was sentenced to four months' imprisonment, with hard labour. John Donnelly was committed for trial at the ensuing Metropolitan Quarter Sessions on a charge of forging a cheque for £20, purporting to be signed by John Woods, proprietor of the Paris Hotel, Haymarket, and uttering the same to the Haymarket branch of the Australian Joint Stock Bank. The prisoner obtained a blank cheque from the barman of the hotel, on the representation that it was wanted for a storekeeper on the opposite side of the street, with whom Mr. Woods was accustomed to deal. Mr. Buchanan, S.M., relieved Mr. O'Malley Clarke at noon, and dealt with a case in which an old man, named John Lipman, was charged with having obtained from the Civil Service Co-operative Society of New South Wales goods under false pretences, of the value of £3 17s. 7d., on March 12, and of £5 0s. 4d. three days after. They were supplied to him on credit on his representation, afterwards proved to be false, that he was employed as nightwatchman at the General Post Office. When asked to settle the account forthwith, the prisoner declined to do so, and criminal proceeding were instituted in consequence. His Worship sentenced him to six months' imprisonment with hard labour in each case, the terms to be concurrent. Mr. Leopold Yates, D.S.M., dealt with the business in the Summons Division, where the only matter of public interest was a case in which Joseph Rodgerus was prosecuted by his landlord, William John Cook, for having removed from a house in Quarry-street, Ultimo, his household effects whilst he was owing £4 arrears of rent to the prosecutor. The house had been rented at £1 a week, and on April 27, when £4 became due, the prosecutor put in the bailiffs, who, however, were removed on the defendant promising to clear up the arrears by weekly instalments of 5s. After the bailiffs had gone the defendant removed his furniture. His Worship ordered him to pay to the prosecutor the sum of £40 (twice the estimated value of the goods), 5s. 6d. court costs, and £1 1s. professional costs, the fine to be paid not later than May 2nd, or the defendant to go to gaol for six months with hard labour.

Mr. G. W. F. Addison, S.M., presided in the Charge Division of the WATER POLICE COURT. The charge sheet was unusually light, consisting principally of cases of drunkenness and other minor offences, which were dealt with in the usual manner. Mary Reynolds, 63, a woman of no occupation, was charged under the Vagrancy Act with having no lawful visible means of support, and was sentenced to three months' imprisonment. Several charges of stealing were remanded for further evidence. On the Summons side, before Mr. J. M. Marsh, S.M., a number of persons were fined for riotous behaviour. Timothy Hart, licensee of the Centennial Hotel, William-street, was fined £3 and costs for selling liquor on Sunday. James Thornton, licensee of the Half-way House Hotel, Botany-road, Botany, was fined £3 and costs for permitting liquor to be drunk on his premises on Sunday. Edward Swadling, licensee of the Whalers' Arms, Miller's Point, was fined £5 and costs for selling liquor during prohibited hours. In connection with these cases, several persons were fined in small amounts for drinking on licensed premises on Sunday or during prohibited hours. William Cummins and George Gilford were each fined £5 and costs for betting on races at the Agricultural Society's ground, at Moore Park. Henry Morris was proceeded against by Inspector Brenner for allowing a certain dog, of which he was the keeper, to attack a boy named Charles O'Connor. The boy was severely bitten on several parts of the body, and, although the attack took place on the 18th instant, the marks were still visible on the boy when he appeared in court. The boy had to be rescued from the dog by a constable and several bystanders. The defendant stated that he was not previously aware that the dog was savage, and was absent at the time, and knew nothing of the circumstances. He further stated that the dog was now chained up. He was fined £2 and costs.

Mr. J. Buchanan, S.M., occupied the Bench at the REDFERN POLICE COURT. A labourer named John Grant was charged with neglecting to pay £4 10s. due on orders made for the support of his two children, and was sentenced to imprisonment until both orders should be complied with. Paddy Quinn was fined 40s., with the alternative of 14 days' gaol, for behaving in a riotous manner. Twelve parents were fined in amounts varying from 5s to 20s. for neglecting to send their children to school in accordance with the provisions of the Public Instruction Act.

CORONER'S INQUESTS.

At the South Sydney morgue yesterday morning the City Coroner (Mr. H. Shiell, J.P.) held an inquest on the body of Mary Ann Evans, who lost her life through falling from the platform of a tramcar at Leichhardt on Tuesday night.

Thomas Richard Doughton, a cutler, residing on the Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, said he was the uncle of the deceased, Mary Ann Evans, who was 15 years of age, and a native of Cardiganshire, Wales; she was unmarried, and had been in the colony about three years; she lately resided with him; he last saw her alive on Tuesday morning; she went into Sydney that day.

Edward Williams, tailor, residing in Short-street, Balmain, stated that he was in the company of the deceased on Tuesday evening. They left Sydney together by tram for Leichhardt; they got into the tram at Market-street at about 20 minutes past 9 o'clock, and sat upstairs; they proceeded on the tram until they were within a few yards of the place where it had to stop at Leichhardt; after passing the spot where she should have alighted, the deceased got up from the seat and went downstairs; when she reached the foot of the stairs witness was on the top following her down, the tram being in motion at the time; there were two cars attached to the motor, and the parties were on the car furthest from the engine; the deceased went downstairs at the end nearest the other car; when she got to the bottom she held on to the rail with her left hand; suddenly she appeared to lose her balance, and she swung round and fell between the two cars almost instantly; the stairs were clear all the way down, and there was no one but the deceased on the platform; as she was descending the stairs, witness told her to wait until the tram stopped; she replied, "It's all right;" they intended to get out at the stopping-place, and witness was going to see the deceased home before he returned to Balmain; at the time the deceased fell the tram was going at the rate of about four miles an hour; as soon as the witness perceived that the deceased had fallen he ran downstairs, jumped off the car, and called out that a girl had been run over; the tram was brought to a standstill in the space of about six yards from where the deceased was lying; witness went back to her, and saw that she was dead; he had seen notices on the tram-cars warning passengers not to leave them whilst they are in motion.

George Paulson, the conductor of the tram from which the deceased fell, said that as it approached the Marion-street stopping-place at Leichhardt on Tuesday night, he heard a bump as if one of the cars had passed over something; the tram was proceeding at the rate of from four to five miles an hour, and it was on the point of being pulled up; witness was on the front car when he felt a jolt; there was an assistant conductor in the tram, but witness did not know where he was at the time referred to; as soon as he felt the jolt he at once called out to the driver of the motor to stop, as he thought something had gone wrong with the gear of the tram; he blew his whistle, and when the tram was brought to a standstill, he requested the fireman to bring his lamp to him; this the fireman did, and they then proceeded along the cars to see what was wrong; about two yards from the end of the last car he saw the body of a young woman lying on the down line; he left his assistant in charge of the remains, and went for a policeman; the body was subsequently removed to the South Sydney Morgue.

To a juror: He did not hear anyone call out that a young girl had been run over before the tram was stopped; they had a very bad motor, and when he felt the jolt he thought something had gone wrong with it; there was a rail at the bottom of the staircase on the tram-car; the rail was about two feet high, and it would protect a person from falling from the platform in the event of the car being suddenly jerked; there was also the hand-rail of the stairs, which would afford protection.

Dr. Marsden deposed that he had made an external examination of the dead body of the deceased. There was an extensive wound on the back of the head, by which the skull had been laid bare; there was also an extensive compound fracture of the skull, through which brain substance was protruding; both sides of the chest were completely smashed in and both arms were fractured; the muscles of the right thigh were torn away from the bone, which was smashed into several pieces; there was also an extensive compound fracture of the left leg. Death must have occurred almost instantaneously.

The jury returned a verdict of "Death from injuries accidentally received through falling from a tram car whilst it was in motion."

DEATH THROUGH LEAPING FROM A DOGCART.

At the Assembly Hotel, Hunter-street, yesterday, an inquiry was held by the City Coroner (Mr. H. Shiell, J.P.) into the circumstances attending the death of a man named Harry Alfred Quartermain, which took place at the Sydney Hospital on Tuesday night. The deceased was a carrier, 37 years of age, and lately resided with his wife at No. 23, Queen-street, Woollahra. He was an Englishman. The widow of the deceased said he left home at about 8 p.m. on Saturday last, in company with a man named George Canderton, for the purpose of having a drive to Waverley in a dogcart; Mrs. Quartermain next saw her husband between 10 and 11 o'clock the same night, when he was brought home in a cab; he was very ill; deceased was seen by Dr. Quaife, and ultimately taken to the Sydney Hospital. George Canderton, cabman, living in Paddington-street, Paddington, said the deceased and he were both total abstainers and intimate friends; on Saturday evening witness drove him out to Waverley, and from thence they came back to Park-road (bordering Moore Park); just as they passed the Captain Cook Hotel the pony, which was rather fresh, took fright at something and bolted; shortly afterwards the deceased jumped out of the cart; witness succeeded in pulling up about 300 yards from the place where Quartermain jumped out of the vehicle; he went back, and found the deceased lying on the road; he appeared to be injured; witness put him in a cab and took him to his place of residence. Dr. Clay deposed that the deceased was admitted to the Sydney Hospital on the morning of the 26th instant; he had a small wound on the back of his head, and was completely unconscious, remaining in that state until he died at midnight on Tuesday; the symptoms exhibited by the patient indicated compression of the brain, due to intracranial hemorrhage; death was due to compression of the brain from intracranial hemorrhage, which was caused by external violence.

The jury returned a verdict of "Death from injuries accidentally received."

DEFRAUDING THE HEBREW PHILANTHROPIC SOCIETY.

Levy Sandlowitz was presented at the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. O'Malley Clarke, S.M., on a charge of obtaining from Julius Caro, treasurer of the Hebrew Philanthropic Society, £8 in money, and goods of about the same value, by means of a false pretence. The evidence disclosed that in March last the prisoner applied to the society's board for assistance to enable him to start in business as a barber, and on the faith of his representation that he had just arrived from England and was destitute, the society gave him the money and goods which formed the subject of the charge.

Henry Solomon, president of the society, and carrying on business as a merchant in George-street, deposed that early last month the prisoner applied to him for relief, saying that he had just arrived with his son from England, and that they were anxious to start in business as hairdressers, but were without means. The witness gave him 10s., and recommended him to apply to the society for more substantial relief, promising to support his application. Two days after the prisoner called on him again, and was given 10s. more; and a few days after the board called a meeting and voted him the goods and money referred to. Joseph Luscombe, a hairdresser, stated on oath that he and the prisoner were fellow-passengers by the steamer which brought them here from Melbourne two months ago, and that during the voyage he agreed to personate the prisoner's son, in order to strengthen his appeal to the board for relief. This was done, and the prisoner afterwards told him that he had obtained from the society £8 in money, and goods of the same value. The prisoner, who pleaded guilty and elected to be dealt with summarily, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

WELLS' HAIR BALSAM.—If gray, restores to original color. An elegant dressing, softens and beautifies. No oil or grease. A tonic restorative. Stops hair coming out, strengthens, cleanses, heals scalp. M. Moss and Co., Sydney. [ADVT.]

THE INCREASED DUTY ON SPIRITS.

DEPUTATION TO THE TREASURER.

Yesterday morning Mr. Dalton, M.L.A., introduced a number of gentlemen representing the wine and spirit trade to the Hon. J. P. Burns (Colonial Treasurer) for the purpose of entering a protest, upon various grounds, against the increased duty now being collected on spirits. The deputation consisted of Captain Tucker (Tucker and Co.), Messrs. C. Mitchell (Garrick and Co.), T. R. Allt (Allt and Co.), A. Nathan (Cooper, Nathan, and Co.), M. De Lissa (De Lissa and Phillips), Gillies (Stewart and Co.), Seaward (Currier and Adet), C. Bath, Watson (Harrison and Attwood), R. Butcher, and Harston.

Mr. DALTON said that so far as he was aware the object of the deputation was to make the Treasurer acquainted as far as possible with the manner in which the additional duties on spirits would affect them as wine and spirit merchants. They were the representatives, not of the retail but the wholesale traffic of the city, and indeed the whole colony. Their very large experience, extending over a quarter of a century, in some cases over a generation, would enable the Treasurer to judge whether it would be in the interests of the country that these increased duties should be imposed upon spirits. It would be unnecessary for him personally to say anything about the matter, as the Treasurer had heard what he had to say last night in Parliament; but the members of the deputation would place before him the disastrous, as well as immoral, effects which would result if these duties were imposed.

Mr. BUTCHER said that he would like to draw the Treasurer's attention to the fact that whenever an alteration had been made in the fiscal policy of a Government for revenue purposes, Treasurers had invariably fallen back upon the Customs. The present Treasurer's predecessor fell back upon spirits, and made an alteration which increased the price very much; and an alteration was made with regard to the strength and gauging of spirits which also had a tendency to increase the price

IN THE HOUSE.

The most striking feature in the House when it opened last night was a huge roll of paper on the table, which afterwards turned out to be a petition, one-fifth of a mile long, and containing 81,218 names, for the remission of the excise on tobacco. The burden of the prayer was, "Let us fumigate on the old lines, or we die." The Opposition cheered the presentation of the petition, and gloated over its corpulence, while the members of the Ministry looked at each other, and smiled. The next petition will be, no doubt, "Let us 'irrigate' according to the manner and by the same measure of copecs as has been the custom with us and our forefathers." The Premier moved that Government business should take precedence of general business on Tuesdays, after 7 o'clock. Mr. Abbott opposed the motion on the ground that Tuesday night was actually the only night that private members had a chance, and it was folly to think that from half-past 4 o'clock to 7 was enough to transact private business. In support of his argument Mr. Abbott quoted from a speech of Sir Henry Parkes, in which he opposed just such a motion in last Parliament. Mr. Abbott said there had been obstruction, and he was sorry for it, but he could not help it. "There's been no obstruction," said the Immortal Mr. O'Sullivan. "I say there has," retorted Mr. Abbott, and "I have not been responsible for it." Mr. Melville travelled over the ground that the leader of the Opposition had measured, and accused the Government of trying to crowd their business through without due discussion. Mr. Melville has a habit of waiting till somebody interjects something, and then he bursts out with an avalanche of scraggy Anglo-Saxon. In aquatic terms, he "spurts" occasionally; and makes believe he is a Goliath of politics in the land. Mr. Melville talks about the "coolest political effrontery" of the Government—well, the Government haven't a monopoly of it. Someone "filed a caveat" for that before Sir Henry came into power.

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Mr. Toohey walked in the same track, carrying the conservatory in his button-hole with him. Mr. Toohey reminds one of a young acolyte of Tragedy. He rolls the letter "r" beautifully, he drops his voice down to a sweet whisper, lifts it up to a palpitating splendour, and then rolls it over the solemn path of prophetic parlance. He quoted also the same speech of the Premier that the previous speakers had done, and seemed to enjoy hearing himself talk. It was pretty. Sir Henry Parkes, with the calculating deliberation which few possess, proceeded to chastise the Opposition in a courteous and cutting style. He complained that Mr. Abbott had misrepresented him about the time he had proposed for the closing of the session, and deprecated the unnecessary consumption of time as had been the custom of late. He chaffed Mr. Abbott for calling himself a "Leader!" Beaconsfield or Gladstone didn't have to trade upon that. Their positions were secured by their political prominence and power. Mr. Abbott interjected with "They never said 'Shut up' either." Sir Henry grew warm and stinging, and said that the stuff the hon. gentleman was made of was oozing out of him. He had apologised for the remark that Mr. Abbott had just used, that apology had been accepted, and yet there was not English spirit or gentlemanly instinct enough in the leader of the Opposition to let the matter drop. Sir Henry said he had been calculating and had found that three members of the Opposition had occupied more time than all the rest of the members together. He protested against useless and irrelevant debate, and left the motion in the hands of the House. The House had a pretty strong idea on the subject. The division resulted in 37 for, and 12 against the motion. *Cui Bono*, if the obstructive motions for adjournment continue.

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Mr. Ewing, with a handful of notes, a pile of books, and a glass of water, began "an amoozing" little speech about something or other, the chief object of which seemed to be to work in some quotations and smart sayings that he had burnt the midnight oil over. He had a little picture gallery of Parliamentarians prepared, for which he acted as showman. He said between times that Bright and Cobden had sacrificed agriculture in England to manufacture. He concluded that a nation could be governed by phrases, and that is what Sir Henry Parkes is doing here. He likened Mr. Inglis' laugh to that of an alligator, and said that the sentence on Ananias was severe since the Minister of Education is allowed to live. He likened Mr. Neild to something lower than "swine," and passed round the Chamber his gifts of chartered licence of speech, which some people would call—chartered presumption.

He shook his wise head at his foes,
And thrust his index fingers out;
He balanced on his heels and toes.

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the judicial element about Mr. Neild, and his trip to Adelaide hasn't done him any harm. He would be glad to see certain modifications in the Government proposals, and then he would give them his hearty support. With some little modesty, Mr. Neild apologised for the rambling nature of his speech, and quietly closed at 20 minutes past 11 o'clock. By agreement between the Premier and leader of the Opposition, the debate was adjourned till Tuesday on condition that it then be closed. The Minister for Justice spoke for a few moments on the Supreme Court (sixth Judge) Bill, and was followed by Mr. Abbott, who supported it and urged its expedition through the House. At 11.40 the bill passed its second reading, and at 11.45 the House adjourned.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE STANDARD THEATRE.

Wilkie Collins' drama of "The New Magdalen" will be produced for the first time at the Standard Theatre this evening, it being the occasion of a special complimentary benefit tendered to Mr. Alfred Dampier, the popular actor-manager, by Mr. Frank Smith, the lessee of the theatre, and an influential committee. This popular play is set forth with so much force and ingenuity as to mask much of the essential unwholesomeness and morbid sentimentalism of the original novel; while it affords an actor and actress unlimited opportunities in the characters of Julian Gray and Mercy Merrick. Miss Lily Dampier will assume for the first time the role of Mercy Merrick, Mr. Dampier will resume his original character of Julian Gray, and Miss Catherine Russell will make her first appearance as Grace Roseberry. Mr. Alfred Boothman will undertake the role of Horace Holmcroft, Mr. Harry Leston will appear as Ignatius Wetzell, Mr. Baker as the French officer, Mr. Stoneham as the French doctor, and Miss Julia Merton as Lady Janet Roy. Mr. Dampier is so popular with the Sydney public, and deserves so well of them from an artistic point of view, that it is to be hoped that his benefit will be the artistic and financial success that he deserves. Charles Reade's drama "Life in the Coal Pits" has proved so successful at the Standard Theatre that it will be reproduced on Saturday evening with the original cast. The drama cannot, however, be played for long, as, owing to previous arrangements, the Olympic success, "The Two Orphans," is to be produced shortly. Miss Alice Norton and Mr. H. C. Sydney will make their *debut* in Sydney in the Olympic play, in conjunction with Mr. Dampier, Miss Dampier, and the Standard company.

An amateur performance of Tom Robertson's comedy, "Caste," will be given in the New Masonic Hall, Castlereagh-street, on Friday evening, May 6, in aid of the Children's Hospital, Glebe Point. Messrs. Westmacott, Hutton, Savage, Stupart, and lady amateurs will sustain the principal characters, and "Caste," which is the most perfect comedy of the "tea cup and saucer" school, is well suited to the capabilities of non-professional artists. Reserved seats for the performance may be obtained at Messrs. Paling's music warehouse, George-street.

Hamilton and Duff's Combination, who played at Windsor on Monday and Tuesday nights to good houses, performed "Our Boys" in the theatre attached to the Parramatta Hospital for Insane on Wednesday night. In addition to a large number of patients, several townspeople were present by invitation. Last night the company were to appear at the Albert Hall, Granville, and they are billed to play there again this evening. To-morrow night they take a benefit at the Victoria Theatre, Parramatta, when "The Lady of Lyons" will be produced; and on Monday night they will, by special request, repeat "East Lynne" at the same place.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

In the mining market the following sales were recorded up to 1 o'clock:—Wickham and Bullock Island Coal, 10s.; Central Broken Hill Silver (paid up), 9s. 6d.

Subjoined are the latest quotations:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
Bulli Coal	5/	—	Tonkin	—	—
Burwood	16/	16/6	Nevada (new), 20s paid	2d	5d
Newcastle	—	—	Broken Hill	—	—
Stockton	23/	23/3	Ditto South, 20s paid	—	10/6
New Issue	8/	10/	Ditto, 12s paid	4/	9/
Vale of Clwydd	—	15/6	Webb's	—	8/9
Wallsend	37½	38½	Eveleen, 20s paid	2/3	—
Waratah	8¾	9	Ditto, 13s 9d paid	2/	—
Wickham and Bullock Isl'd	10/	—	Central Broken Hill, 20s paid	9/3	9/9
Ditto, preferential, 5s paid	5/	5/9	Ditto, 12s paid	7/	8/
Great Cobar Copper	3/	—	Band & Albion	—	—
New Mt. Hope	3/	—	Ravenswood	14/	—
Nymagee	4/	—	Victory	13/6	14/
Wesley Tin	—	11/6	New Reform, Lucknow	7/3	8/
Great Western	—	—			
Lubra	—	—			
Silver King	—	—			
Sunny Corner	7/	8/			

Surface Hill Gold Crushing Company, Limited.—Telegram from mining manager, Timbara, April 28: "Grand prospects higher up Duncan's. Three dishes panned off 5dwt."

MANAGER'S REPORT.

Nymagee Copper-mining Company, Limited.—Messrs. Watt and Dodds have received the following report from the mining manager, under date April 25:—"103 fathom crosscut.—This is now in 36 feet from the shaft, having driven 18 feet for the month. This week will probably complete it, when the men will commence driving north for the ore. Winze—Section 14, 86-fathom level.—This winze is still showing good ore and is now down 70 feet below the level, having been sunk a further distance of 4 feet 6 inches this month. Winze—Section 15, 86-fathom level.—This winze has been sunk 4 feet 6 inches this month, being now 20 feet below the level, and is in similar ore to the other. Winze—Section 17, 52-fathom level, is now down 31 feet 6 inches below the level, and still shows good yellow ore. It has been sunk 5 feet 6 inches. 69-fathom level has been driven 9 feet 6 inches for the month, the end being now 16 feet 6 inches from the north boundary of Section 15. Very little work has been done in the stope on account of the wet weather and a number of miners having left the mine. 86-fathom level: The stope in the back of this level shows no change beyond getting a little narrower as the men work upwards. Pope's shaft, 70-feet level: Nearly the whole of the ore obtained from this place during the past month has been got by sinking immediately north of the shaft, the ore going down much deeper than was expected. Hardie's crosscut has been driven 16 feet 6 inches, and is now in 190 feet from the level; 30 feet more driving should bring the men to the lode, according to its bearing on the surface. Smelting works: The past month has been very similar to

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The results of the Two Thousand Guineas Stakes, which came off at the Newmarket (England) Spring Meeting on Wednesday, appear in another column. The winner, Enterprise, is a son of Sterling, from a sister to King Alfred, and during the racing season of 1886 he started five times, out of which he scored two victories. At the Ascot meeting, in June, with 8st. 10lb. up, he won the New Stakes of 1259 sovs., for two-year-olds, T. Y. C. defeating Freshwater (8st. 11lb), and Freedom (8st. 8lb), in 1 minute 15 seconds; and at the July meeting, on the same course, he was ridden by the late Fred Archer, when, with 9st. in the saddle, he appropriated the July Stakes of 1230 sovs., for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs and 156 yards, by four lengths from Hugo (9st.) and St. Mary (8st. 11lb). He ran second in the Royal Plate for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs, at the Windsor July meeting; second in the Middle Park Plate of 2835 sovs., 6 furlongs, at the Newmarket October meeting, and second in the Dewhurst Plate, 7 furlongs, at the Newmarket Houghton October meeting. Phil, who filled the second place in the Two Thousand Guineas Stakes, is by Philamon from Phoebe, and during the last racing season he started five times. He won the Maiden Plate for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs, at the Ascot meeting, in June, when he carried 8st. 12lb., beating Draycot (8st. 12lb.) and The Boyne (8st. 9lb.); and the Tattersall's Sales Stakes, for two-year-olds, 7 furlongs, at the Doncaster September meeting, when Fred. Archer was the successful jockey. He ran third in the Kempton Park International Breeders' Two-year-old Stakes, five furlongs, carrying 9st. at the Kempton Park August Meeting, when he was ridden by Fred. Archer; third in the Champagne Stakes at the Doncaster meeting in September; and nowhere in the Dewhurst Cup, 7 furlongs, at the Newmarket Houghton meeting in October. Mr. C. Perkins's chestnut colt Eglamore, who was placed third, carried silk only upon one occasion during the period under notice, and then he secured the Gosforth Park Juvenile Plate, 5 furlongs, at the Newcastle and Gosforth April meeting, with 8st. 7lb. in the saddle, putting down Audit, 8st. 4lb., and a colt by Uncas—Wee Lassie. The latest advices from England show that Enterprise was favourite in the betting at 7 to 2, the quotations about Eglamore were 8 to 1, while Phil was not quoted. The Two Thousand Guineas Stakes fell to the Duke of Westminster's Ormonde last year, with an impost of 9st.

The long-looked for trial to break the Australian record with the imported trotting stallion Huon will take place on the Agricultural Society's Grounds, Moore Park, on Tuesday, May 10, when several other trotting events will also come off, including a Free-for-all Trot for a purse of 25 sovs., mile heats, best two in three; and a Three-minutes Class Trot for a purse of 25 sovs., mile heats, best three in five, open only to the following horses:—Black Tracker, Beach, Confusion, Creole, Darkie, Dozy, Emperor, Empress, Lady Vermont, Onward, Plain Bill, Queen of Trumps, Sir Daniel, Tit Willow, Town Time, Velocity, Violetta, Yarraman, and Merry Girl. The meeting will be held under the Sydney Driving Park Club rules, and under the auspices of that club. The programme should afford a first-rate afternoon's sport, and the absence of a time handicap trot is a step in the right direction which must be appreciated by the sport-loving community.

Owing to an oversight at the closing of entries for the two principal handicaps in connection with the Birthday meeting of the Sydney Turf Club, the names of Mr. A. Drake's nominations, Spade Guinea and Pasha were omitted; but as the handicaps will not be made until Tuesday next, the omission has been righted, and the New Zealand pair will duly appear with the declaration of weights for the Royal Stakes and the Birthday Cup.

Wallandry race meeting was registered with the secretary of the A. J. C. yesterday.

Honeycomb, who plays a part at the forthcoming meeting of the Bourke Jockey Club on the 4th and 5th proximo, left Redfern last evening for the north-west, in charge of her trainer, J. Monaghan.

The sportsmen of Central Queensland have inaugurated a racing club at Barcaldine, to be called the "Barcaldine Central Racing Club," and the first meeting has been fixed for July 20 and 21, when money prizes to the amount of 500 sovs. will be distributed, exclusive of several valuable trophies.

The Macquarie Picnic Club races take place to-day.

In Monday's issue of the *Herald* a list of the racing clubs registered under clause 4 of the A. J. C. rules was published, and since then three—Broken Hill, Brewarrina, and Walgett—have been added to the number, making 85 altogether. The amount of money distributed annually by those clubs, exclusive of trophies, is £61,121 5s., or an average of £719 1s. 5½d. each.

A meeting of the members of Metropolitan Tattersall's Club was held last evening at the clubroom, Pitt-street, Mr. W. Lees presiding. There was a full attendance of members, and it was unanimously decided to carry on the club and to take a new lease of the premises. A presentation of a purse containing 29 sovereigns was made to Mr. J. D. Davis, the caretaker, as a mark of appreciation of his services by the members of the institution. The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman. The club has at present a membership of 241, and is in a prosperous condition.

A sale of Lindenow racing stock, bred by Mr. D. H. Hill, of North Gippsland, was held at Melbourne last week, when the highest price realised was for a black mare, Mimulus, by Wollomai from Casey, who found a purchaser in Mr. E. Jellett. Altogether there were 28 horses offered for public competition—19 by Wollomai, two by His Lordship, two by Prince William, two by Lucifer, and one each by Pirate, Silence, and Don Giovanni—and the prices ranged from 31 guineas to seven guineas.

The sporting folk of the north-western district enjoyed a good day's racing at Mungunyah, on the 15th instant, when the annual meeting in connection with the local club was held. Mr. T. Dillon's Moss Trooper won the double—the Warrego Handicap and the Farewell Handicap; Music appropriated the Maiden Plate. Mr. P. Fitzgerald secured the Stockman's Purse and Hack Race with Shamrock and Paddy's Land, respectively; and the Hurry Scurry was annexed by Mr. R. C. Bell's Budgerigar. A match between Shamrock and Budgerigar for £5 resulted in favour of the former, who won easily.

A race meeting was held at Maude, in the Riverina district, on Monday last, when good sport was witnessed by a large gathering for a country meeting. The Maiden Plate was a gift to Gaffer, who defeated a field of six. Saxon, 9st., had an easy task in the Maude Handicap, which she appropriated from Exile, 8st. 2lb., and Bumpkin, 8st. 7lb., the only starters. The Hurdle Race, for which three—Chester, Voltaire, and Snip—went to the post, brought about an exciting contest. Chester fell at the first obstacle, but was re-mounted, and went in pursuit of Voltaire and Snip. At the second fence Voltaire and rider parted company, and going round the second time both Snip and Chester fell, but Holmes, who piloted the latter, and was badly shaken by the two falls, managed to get in the saddle again, and came home an

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against Schemer on the ground that he had previously won a bracelet at the Bathurst Picnic Races.

SHORTS HANDICAP, 40 sovs.—¾ mile.

Mr. Byrne's Eaglet, 6 years, 8st. 6lb. (Agnew) ... 1
Mr. Lynch's British Lion, aged, 7st. 2lb. (Britfull) ... 2
Mr. Donnelly's Honesty, aged, 7st. 13lb. (Hutchins) ... 3

The other starters were—Wee Jim, aged, 9st. 4lb.; Phiz, 6 years, 7st. 10lb.; The Don, aged, 7st. 2lb.; Hard Times, aged, 7st. 6lb.; Rainbow, 3 years, 6st. 12lb.; Good Templar, 2 years, 6st. 5lb.

Betting: 2 to 1 v. Honesty, 3 to 1 v. Wee Jim and Eaglet, 6 to 1 v. others.

After some trouble in starting, the field got away well together. Honesty and Wee Jim kept the lead to the home turn, where Eaglet and British Lion collared them, and they raced together up the straight. British Lion had the best of it until a few strides from the winning post, when Eaglet just managed to push forward and win by a head. Time, 1 minute 22 seconds.

WILCANNIA HANDICAP, 150 sovs., with a sweep of 3 sovs. each for starters; second horse to receive 20 sovs. from the stake—2 miles.

Mr. T. O'Leary's Native, aged, 8st. 6lb. (Mercer) ... 1
Mr. T. Byrne's b h Cupidon, 6 years, 9st. 2lb. (Bolger) ... 2
Mr. E. C. Naylor's b g Richmond, aged (Agnew) ... 3
Mr. T. C. Duggan's b h Toward, 4 years, 8st. (Hutchens) ... 0

Betting: 6 to 4 on Toward, 2 to 1 v. Cupidon, 3 to 1 v. Native and Richmond.

This was a splendid race from start to finish. Native made the running almost from the jump, Richmond taking second place and Toward third. At the first turn past the stand the order was Native, Cupidon, Richmond, and Toward, only a length separating each horse. At the back the field were all well up, but coming round the home turn Native drew away and won comfortably by five lengths. Time, 4 minutes 6 seconds.

NOVEL RACE, 40 sovs.; winner to be sold for 5 sovs.; weight for age—1 mile.

Mr. Agnew's Sequence Flush, 6 years ... 1
Mr. Cook's Dido, aged ... 2
Mr. Shaw's Smuggler, aged ... 3

The other starters were Mr. Paul's Sailor, 5 years; Mr. Creswell's Doubtful, 4 years.

Betting: 2 to 1 on Sequence Flush.

This was a hollow race, Sequence Flush having all his own way from the start, winning as he liked. The winner was sold for £39 10s.

LADIES' BRACELET, 20 sovereigns, and a bracelet of the value of 10 sovs., for second horse; amateur riders—Once round the course.

Mrs. T. Byrnes' Eaglet, 6 years, 12st. (Spinks) ... 1
Miss Carter's Nobbler, aged, 10st. 7lb. (Creswell) ... 2
Miss Shaw's Smuggler, aged, 10st. 12lb. (Stanbury) ... 3

These were the only starters and the race was a gift to Eaglet all through.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

WARRNAMBOOL RACING CLUB.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

The Warrnambool Racing Club Steeplechase Meeting was brought to a conclusion to-day. The attendance was very large. The weather was fine. In the Steeplechase Michael fell and broke his leg, and was afterwards shot.

TRIAL STAKES, 40 sovs.; 6 furlongs.—Typhoon, 1; Lottie, 2; Ceres, 3. Donald and Postmaster also started. Won by half a length. Time, 1 minute 19 seconds.

HANDICAP HURDLE, 50 sovs.; 1½ mile.—Guilt, 1; Spider, 2; Tomboy 3. Eight others ran. Won by half a neck. Time, 2 minutes 57 seconds.

HANDICAP FLAT RACE, 60 sovs., 1¼ mile.—Darkness, 1; Trent, 2; Leuroy, 3. Speculation was the only other starter. Won by a head. Time, 2 minutes 14 seconds.

WARRNAMBOOL HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE, 200 sovs., 3 miles.—Freetrade, 1; Spangle, 2; Starfish, 3. Songster,

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past season were £660 12s. 5d., and the expenditure amounted to £751 1s. 9d., leaving a debit balance of over £90. It therefore behoves all the members of the various clubs to assist in every possible manner, not only to wipe off the deficit, but place a substantial amount to the balance, so as to put the association on a fair financial footing. Mr. L. A. Ballhausen moved the adoption of the report, and Mr. Crisp, in seconding it, stated that he hoped all the members would come forward and assist the association pecuniarily, and at the end of the coming season he hoped the state of affairs would be reversed. The election of honorary treasurer to the association for the ensuing season resulted in the choice falling upon the shoulders of Mr. L. Oswald, Mr. W. C. Hinwood stating that the pressure of business would prevent him giving the necessary time to the monetary affairs. The election of auditors gave the preference to Messrs. Pattison and Scott. On the motion of Mr. W. C. Hinwood, seconded by Mr. L. A. Ballhausen, it was decided to hold a special meeting of the association, to be held on Friday, May 6th, to devise some means of reducing the existing debt. Other business of an unimportant nature closed the meeting.

PARRAMATTA CLUB.—The annual meeting of the Parramatta Football Club was held on Wednesday evening. The report congratulated the members upon the success of the club during the past season, the majority of matches engaged in having been won. There was a small deficit balance, but the committee looked forward to the club being placed on a more sound footing during the present season. Reference was made to the liberality of the President, Mr. H. Taylor, M.L.A., towards the club, and to his gift of a handsome silver cup to be competed for by the club and the members of the Our Boys Club, Bathurst, the concluding match for which is to be played this season. Eleven new members having been admitted, the election of officers was preceeded with, and resulted as follows:—Patron, Mr. H. Taylor, M.L.A.; president, Mr. W. H. Wesley, J.P.; vice-presidents, Messrs. E. Ellison, J.P., G. Coates, jun., P. Flood, H. Coates, and A. Neich; secretary, P. Hagin; treasurer, J. Houison; general committee, C. Weston, D. M'Gill, W. Neich, C. Tunks, and B. Tunks; selection committee, W. Neich, C. Weston, and P. O'Brien; delegates to S. R. F. U., W. H. Neich and P. Neich.

ATHLETICS.

The Royston College Amateur Athletic Club have issued their programme for the annual sports meeting, which will be held on the Association Cricket Ground on Wednesday, June 1st.

The entries for the One-mile Bicycle Race at the Ashfield A. A. Club's sports close this evening with the hon. secretary at 9 p.m. Entries for all other events close at Ashfield School of Arts to-morrow evening at 9. The prizes are now on view at Messrs. J. Turner, Robinson and Co's., 478, George-street.

LAWN TENNIS.

On Wednesday last two pairs of Craignathan T. C. met two pairs of Strathfield T. C., resulting in a win for former by 3 sets to 1, or 19 games to 13. Appended are full scores:—

Messrs. Mansfield and Raff (C.) beat Messrs. Cowdery and Dean (S.) ... 6-3
Messrs. Mansfield and Raff (C.) beat Messrs. Thomson and Newman (S.) ... 6-1
Messrs. Fuller and Dewhurst (C.) beat Messrs. Thomson and Newman (S.) ... 6-3
Messrs. Cowdery and Dean (S.) beat Messrs. Fuller and Bewhurst (C.) ... 6-1

PIGEON SHOOTING.

Shooting for the Challenge Cup took place on Wednesday afternoon, the holder being Mr. S. Grant* and challenger Mr. H. E. Lord. At the end of the twenty-first round a tie was declared between Messrs. S. Grant* and W. C. Hill, each having accounted for nineteen out of twenty-one. In shooting off the tie, Mr. S. Grant*

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COMMERCIAL.

The following table shows the declared value of Imports and Exports at the Sydney Customs from January 1 to April 23, 1886 and 1887:—

—	1886. Imports.	1886. Exports.	1887. Imports.	1887. Exports.
January 8	£421,749	£430,137	£179,393	£292,630
" 15	446,843	207,982	232,377	275,334
" 22	374,990	250,136	279,682	311,847
" 29	470,646	270,792	287,060	144,977
February 5	476,309	307,637	326,902	287,991
" 12	415,828	249,987	417,412	342,718
" 19	429,073	264,143	261,598	303,450
" 26	456,958	184,152	290,703	167,966
March 5	325,331	148,786	162,673	202,998
" 12	348,200	137,100	245,787	204,456
" 19	297,037	143,572	324,759	127,993
" 26	309,223	207,047	359,708	252,308
April 2	462,116	166,967	278,039	155,650
" 9	284,378	102,721	232,764	86,488
" 16	246,087	222,625	241,139	214,886
" 23	209,178	180,663	335,896	148,322
Totals	£6,239,246	£3,472,783	£4,444,823	£3,501,142

The total value of imports at the port of Sydney for the week ending April 23, 1887, amounts to £335,896, of which the principal items are:—

Drapery, £95,194; hardware, £41,845; gold, £30,371; boots, £20,868; agricultural produce, £12,014; green fruit, £6493; sugar, £6121; flour, £5658; tin ingots, £5300; dried fruit, £4753; timber, £4065; beer, £3963; dynamite, £3766; tobacco, £3720; skins and hides, £3103; spirits, £2970; tea, £2648; chrome ore, £2410; wine, £2213; malt, £2200.

The total value of the exports from the Port of Sydney for the same period amounts to £148,322, of which the principal items are:—

Books and stationery, £4439; boots and shoes, £1619; coin, £6,155; coal, £2687; copper, £1642; drapery, £7984; fruit (green), £1450; galvanised iron, £1877; hardware, £1916; hides, £6826; leather, £2279; machinery, £1363; meats (preserved), £1239; shale, £2192; tallow, £2385; tea, £903; tin, £8,386; wool, £64,847.

The following is a return of produce received at Darling Harbour station per rail for the week ended April 28:—

Wheat, 152 tons 10cwt.; flour, 339 tons; oats, 9 tons 17cwt.; maize, 59 tons 2cwt; potatoes, 69 tons 16cwt. 2qr.; bran, 176 tons; pollard, 83 tons 6cwt.; hay, 108 trucks; straw, 22 trucks; chaff, 84 trucks; wool, 514 bales; sheepskins, 889 bales; butter, 379 kegs, 172 cases; cheese, 8 cases; bacon, 20 bags 38 sides; eggs, 152 cases.

Messrs. F. W. Heilgers and Co. write from Calcutta, under date March 29:—

"Gunnies: There has been a good demand from the colonies for woolpacks for early shipment, and the sales amount to about 2000 bales on the basis of 1r. 1a. 8p. for 11¼lb. Many of these were of special weights and sizes, for which comparatively high prices have been paid. More business could probably have been done, but for the fact that only a few mills can sell for early delivery, and that no more room is available in the next steamers. In country and Hessian goods the market has been quiet, with a lower tendency for forward business. Cornsacks for the season have been inquired after, but so far no transactions have taken place, although sellers showed great willingness to meet buyers by considerably lowering the rates asked recently. We quote to-day: Woolpacks, 10¾lb., 1r. 0a. 9p. each; ditto, 11¼lb., 1r. 1a. 3p. each; cornsacks (10-shot), 25r. 8a. per 100; bran bags, 18r. 8a. per 100. Castor Oil: A fair business has been done in No. 3 for April-May at 7r. 12a.; and sellers are now asking higher prices. We quote London, good second, 8r. 4a.; Liverpool, ditto, 8r.; No. 3, 7r. 14a. Freights are higher for sailers; but there is no change in steamer rates: viz., London, steamer, DW, 23s 9d to 25s; measurement, 30s. London, sailer, DW, 25s; measurement, 28s 9d to 30s. Australian steamers unchanged. Exchange: 1s 5 15-32d, 6 months' credits.

PRODUCE MARKET.—THURSDAY.

This morning there was only a limited attendance of the trade at Darling Harbour sales. In forage, excepting for one or two prime lots, business was quiet at late ruling rates. Competition

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVAL—APRIL 28.

Adelaide (s.), 1711 tons, Captain T. W. Lockyer, from Adelaide 22nd instant, via Melbourne 24th instant. Passengers:—Rev. J. and Mrs. Waterhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Stoddart, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. P. Vos, Mr. and Mrs. J. Barnard, Mrs. F. Davenport, Mrs. A. Rose, Mrs. A. Fisher, Mrs. J. Cole, Mrs. H. Bailey, Mrs. O. Wheeler, Mrs. E. Henderson, Mrs. R. Cassady, Miss M. Turner, Miss C. Lumley, Miss E. Pickford, Miss J. Martin, Miss L. Thomas, Miss S. Roach, Miss M. Marsden, Miss F. Marsden, Miss E. Ward, Miss O. Waterhouse, Miss M. M'Shane, Miss H. Fisher, Miss A. Bayley, Miss H. Chatfield, Miss M. Weekes, Miss E. Henderson, Miss M. Henderson, Miss G. Cole, Miss T. Stoddart, Miss M. Cassady, Miss E. Rendell, Miss C. Dean, Miss M. Lay, Miss F. F. Holmes, Miss A. Blanchard, Messrs. J. Greenleaf, T. Henderson, H. Child, M. Mattery, W. Wilson, W. Morgan, R. Mitchell, Rev. R. Barker, G. Fry, A. Handerson, T. Stewart, G. Barker, H. S. Dixson, J. Winslow, E. S. Vaulin, R. J. Reid, H. Warner, E. Stoddart, A. Rutherford'on, R. Peet, F. Schmeithathsen, T. Sabey, G. A. Lowlay, Rutledge, G. W. Hardesty, A. E. Whitfield, G. Williams, H. Pickell, R. Sinclair, F. Harvey, F. M'Cartney, R. Ramsgate, and 73 in the steerage. G. S. Yuill, agent.

H.M.S. Tyne, 3,050 tons, Captain William R. Darwall, from Plymouth February 16 via Gibraltar February 21, Malta February 26, Port Said March 3, Suez March 4, Aden March 10, Bombay March 26, Colombo March 31, and Albany 24th instant. Passengers—Rairds for the ships of the Australian Squadron.

H.M.S. Nymphe, 1,580 tons, 4 guns, Lieutenant-Commander R. F. Hoskyn, from Launceston 18th instant.

Lewis (s.), 1190 tons, Captain H. S. Bridger, from Brisbane 26th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Adsett, Mrs. J. Young, Mrs. W. Rawlins, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Trousdell, Mrs. R. Gray, Mrs. Magee, Miss Goldsmith, Miss Marriott, Miss A. Anderson, Miss Palmer, Miss Gugg, Misses J. Jackson, M'Cann, Trimbell, M'Guinn, B. H. Hahn, W. Cosher, J. M'Kean, A. Gunn, K. Gunn, Rutherford, J. D. Henderson, and 18 in the steerage. W. Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Bellinger (s.), 284 tons, Captain Benjamin Alley, from Richmond River 26th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Lindner, Captain R. White, Mr. Garnett, and 6 in the steerage. J. B. Nicoll, agent.

Illawarra (s.), 500 tons, Captain William Baxter, from Moruya and Southern ports 24th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Wear, Mrs. Barker, Miss Nicol, Miss Ireland, Miss Hastings, Miss Edith Watt, Master Duffy, M'Phee, Hartnell, Davis, and one in the steerage. J. S. Cox, agents.

Woolloomooloo (s.), 400 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Manning River 27th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Pritchard and child, Mrs. Hayward and child, Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Farmiloe and child, Mrs. M'Colgan and child, Miss Brookes, Miss Broadman, Messrs. Pascoe, Ross, J. Brackett, R. Brenner, J. Kerrigan, M. Riordan, Orr, Fox, M'Kenzie Sterling, Berwick, Ward, Long, Flanders, Monaghan, Downes, Scammell, Attfield, Verge, Walker, R. and M. Patterson, Master Rogers, and 16 in the steerage. C. and H. S. Company, agents.

DEPARTURES—APRIL 29.

Monmouth (s.), for Hongkong, via ports.

Wallarah (s.), for Newcastle.

Waikanae (s.), for Auckland and Southern ports of New Zealand.

Fiji (s.), for Noumea and Fiji.

Aberdeen (s.), for Shanghai.

Badgastrick, (s.), for Port Darwin.

PROBABLE DEPARTURES—APRIL 30.

Bunilyong (s.), for Melbourne; Ashcombe (s.), Bamleigh (s.), for Brisbane and Northern ports; Wellington (s.), for Port Macquarie and Hastings River; Bellinger (s.), for Richmond River.

CLEARANCES—APRIL 28.

Monmouth (s.), 3261 tons, Captain F. T. Hoare, for Java, Singapore, and Hongkong, via Brisbane. Passengers—Mr. Leadbetter and Port Darwin. Passengers—For Singapore: Mr. E. Potter. For Batavia: Some Don. Examiner. For Port Darwin: Miss Simpson. Mr. and Mrs. Jarritch, Messrs. A. Daly, D. J. Kenny, J. Kenny, P. Gros, M. Daly, Gus. Brandt and servant, and 4 in the steerage.

Fiona (s.), 600 tons, Captain E. Henry, for Noumea and Levuka. Passengers—Mrs. Hughway, Mrs. Shields, Mrs. Macallum, Miss. Wallsh, Mrs. Fraser servant and 2 infants, Miss Lucie, Miss Perris, Miss Sedgers, Rev. W. A. Brightwell, Messrs. B. W. Fenner, G. Peter, G. W. Nicoll, and 22 in the steerage.

Wallarah (s.), 1,746 tons, Captain H. W. H. Chatfield, for New Zealand ports. Passengers—Lord and Lady Aberdeen, valet and maid, Captain Stanhope and valet, Mr. Sydney Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tobias, Mr. G. E. Grindale, Mr. J. W. Bowler, Mr. Frank, Mr. T. Virtue, Mr. Allpass, Mrs. James Watkins, the Misses Lynch, Frankie Bottrington (Messrs. Harry Lynch, Robert Lynch, George Lynch, William Lynch, W. E. Crowe, E. H. Denton, J. C. Pullen, Percy Brown, H. S. Barnes, Mr. Sandham, and 10 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS—APRIL 28.

Ben Nevis, for Manning River; Mary Laurie, for Camden Haven; Eva, for Newcastle; Wave Bell, for Newcastle, for Twofold Bay; Santa Cruz, Venture, Garwin, Hebe, for New Zealand; Growler, for Tomaree; Mary Cranstand, for Hawkesbury Rivers.

IMPORTS—APRIL 28.

[A special charge is made for measurement entries in this column.]

Adelaide (s.), from Melbourne:—3,000 packages flour, 103 bags malt, 3000 bags chaff, 187 casks lime, 466 casks fruit, 28 Darling stones, 30 coarse hams, 13 tarpaulins, 24 packages whip, 119 packages tea, 300 bags sugar, 17 paraffine machines, 20 casks nails, 256 bags earth, 21 packages eggs, and a quantity of sundries.

Lewis (s.), from Brisbane:—850 bags maize, 133 cases fruit, 3 bags oysters, 10 empty coal cases, 3 boxes gold, 9 casks tallow, 32 boxes skins, 60 empty casks, 21 cases arrowroot, 20 bags hides, 71 bags tin ore, 208 hides, 190 tinned packages miscellanies, and a quantity of through cargo.

Sir Cyprian and Dunblair:—4181 bags Cressier Head potatoes, 800 bags grass—John Hixson and Co., 237, Sussex-street.

Ex Hawkesmere:—145 packages Onions and Blake-well's goods—wrangor, pickles, jellies, limes oil, mat, anchovies, &c.—Isaac Hanson and Co.

Ex Burwah and Lucie:—2766 bags prime oil Queensland maize, now landing on Queen-road Company's Wharf, King-street. Ex Gambier and Corinna:—500 sacks prime red sam Cressier Head potatoes, now landing at Steuart's and Jamieson wharfs—Brewster, Lyttle, and Co., Importers' Agents, 97, Sussex-street.

EXPORTS—APRIL 28.

Monmouth (s.), for Java, Hongkong, and Singapore, via ports:—1000 tons coal, 31 bags rice, 4 bags onions, 33 bags potatoes, 250 bags flour, 483 pairs nine, 21 cases spirits, 72 shooks, 31 cases, 12 bellies, 1 proprietor, 25 cases milk, 21 sacks salt, 15 cases soap, 200 bags provisions, 12 packages tobacco, 30 bdls. bags chaff, 30 packages wines and spirits, 12 horses, 61 loose pigs, 25 boxes soap, 63 cases meats, 121 packages machinery, 1 buggy and carriage, 5 bags cartridges, 35 packages clothes, and sundries.

Wallarah (s.), for Auckland and Southern ports of New Zealand:—600 tons coal, 961 bags rice, 1,781 bags sugar, 196 packages tea, 26 cases washers, 10 packages cafe anglais, 6 cases whisky, 6 trunks beds, 18 quarter hogsheads, 1 package leather, 35 cases fruit, 3 bags ammunition, 1 dozen signal lights.

Corowa Horton.—Entered Outwards: April 28, Bamleigh (s.), 855 tons, Captain W. Sinclair, for Rockhampton, via ports.

The steamer Lewis left the customhouse at 7 a.m. and left Heads at 8 p.m. Experienced during the passage strong to moderate S. and S.W. winds, with rain and heavy head sea.

H.M.S. Nelson, which left the harbour for gun practice on Wednesday, returned to her anchorage in Farm Cove yesterday.

H.M.S. Nymphe and Tyne arrived in port last night. They were in collision off Wilson's Promontory on Monday afternoon last at about half-past 2 o'clock, and both received serious damage.

The China Navigation Company's steamship Telana, home in Hongkong, via ports, arrived at her destination on the 26th instant, and leaves again for Sydney on the 15th May.

The P. and O. Company's S.N.S. Shannon, for London, via ports, passed Cape Otway at 7.45 a.m. yesterday. She is due in Melbourne this morning.

A steamer flying signal letters H. B. F. passed Jervis Bay at 5 p.m. yesterday, bound north.

The China Navigation Company's steamer Chingtu passed Morgan's Heads at 7.45 a.m. yesterday, bound north.

The steamer Woollomooloo crossed the Macleay bar at 2 p.m. on the 27th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 4 p.m. on the 28th. Having experienced strong southerly winds and squally weather throughout. Cargo: 2283 bags maize, 158 hides, 34 calves, 134 pigs, 4 casks tallow, 7 casks 1 barrel 1 bags fish, 3 bags poultry, 1 cases eggs.

The steamer Rotorua-tua arrived at Auckland at 7 p.m. on Tuesday from this port.

The steamer Illawarra crossed the Moruya bar at 11 p.m. on the 27th instant, called at Batemen's Bay and Ulladulla, and arrived at the company's wharf, Sydney, at 1.30 p.m. on the 28th, having experienced moderate N. and S.E. breezes, with heavy swell and fine weather. Cargo: 200 bags bran, 800 chaff, 100 bags butter, 50 bags oysters, 3 bales leather, 4 bundles kilns, 6 crates tallow, 4 bundles skins, 11 cases fowls, 1 cases eggs, 1 cylinder, 6 bundles wood (shingles), 1 bicycle, 14 pigs, and sundries.

The steamer Bellinger crossed the Richmond River bar at 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 26th instant, and entered Sydney Heads at 7 p.m. on Thursday, the 28th. Experienced strong southerly winds, with a heavy S.E. sea, with heavy rain squalls, throughout the passage. Cargo: 25 hardwood logs, 43 pine logs, 7 cedar logs, 36 cedar timbers, 3000 feet sawn cedar, 256 bags maize, 203 mats sugar, 35 bullocks, 2 bundles sheepskins, 8 casks tallow, 19 pkgs. 69 casks tracks, 32 bags bones, 4 cases eggs, 6bags cypress, and sundries.

The steamer Adelaide, from Adelaide, via Melbourne, cleared Port Phillip Heads at 8.45 p.m. on Tuesday, and entered Port Jackson at noon yesterday, having experienced fresh head winds during the passage.

The steamer Tweed crossed the Richmond River bar at 11 a.m. on the 26th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 2 p.m. on the 28th. Experienced strong southerly winds and squally weather. Cargo: 650 bags maize, 40 bags cedar, 103 hides, 40 pigs, 10 bags butter, 121 mats sugar, 6 coops poultry, 4 casks tallow, 14 cases eggs, 12 bags oysters, and sundries.

Mr. John Williams received another enlargement yesterday from Honolulu, in the effect that the schooner Emalong was lost on the 31st of February on the Mellish Reef. The reef in question is situated near the Bourgeois Shoal.

The Orient Company's R.M.S. Lusitania left Adelaide for Melbourne yesterday morning.

The coasters May Newton, Victory, Alpha, Gaphne, Amphitrite, and Adelaide were still bar-bound at the Richmond River yesterday.

The Aberdeen White Star steamship Aberdeen sailed for Shanghai yesterday morning.

The yacht Red Gauntlet resumed her voyage to Port Darwin yesterday.

The E. and A. Co.'s steamer Macumbi took her departure for Hongkong, via ports, yesterday afternoon, with a large number of passengers and a full general cargo.

The P. and O. Co.'s R.M.S. Surat left Melbourne yesterday, and is expected to arrive here to-morrow about noon.

Messrs. Fraser and Co., of the City Auction Mart, yesterday submitted for sale the barque Alexander Newton and the three-masted schooner May Newton; but, as the vendor's reserve was not reached, they were passed in. The barque Tyburnia was purchased by Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co. for £700. The hulk Thane was withdrawn for private treaty.

The steamer Maranoa is now in Mort's Dock receiving an overhaul, and the Maitland is alongside the wharf, being examined by her usual bi-annual examination.

The Captain Cook, pilot steamer, is to-day to resume her work at the Heads, after receiving an overhaul at Mort's Dock and Engineering Company's works.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

BOWRALL.—Arrivals: April 26, Clara and Hannah, from Sydney; and Rookina, from Cockburn. The Tarella, Brisbane for Bundaberg, arrived at Maryborough. The Redondo, Rockhampton for Sydney, left Maryborough this morning. The Derwent, for Townsville, left Maryborough yesterday evening. The Leichardt, Rockhampton for Sydney, arrived at Bundaberg at midday. The Yon Yangs, for Geelong, left Keppel Bay this morning. The Yon Yangs, for Manley, left Rockhampton on Tuesday. The Bellerine, schooner, Townsville for Sydney, left Plantay this morning. The Warrego, for Cooktown, left Townsville yesterday afternoon. The Egmont, Normanton for Brisbane, left Port Douglas yesterday afternoon. The Quilpielgo, Cooktown for Sydney, arrived at Townsville. The Fitzroy, from Brisbane, arrived at Rockhampton this morning.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: April 26, Gwydir (s.), Namoi (s.), Tamar (s.), Sydney (s.), Karoola, Rising Star, from Sydney. Departures: April 26, Talaga (s.), for Lyttelton; Bunilyong (s.), for Melbourne; Bunilyong (s.), Namoi (s.), Tamar (s.), Gwydir (s.), Newcastle (s.), for Sydney.

QUEENSCLIFF.—Departure: April 26, R.M.S. Suez, for Sydney, at 1.50 p.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: April 26, Habsburg (s.), Barcoo (s.), Victorian (s.), from Sydney; General Simon, from London; Zephyr, from Hokitika; South Australian (s.), from Sydney. Departures: April 26, R.M.S. Surat, for Sydney; Illawarra (s.), for Launceston.

[FROM BOARD AT TELEGRAPH OFFICE.]

BRISBANE HEADS.—April 28, Julius, still inside.

KOOROOMAN HEADS.—Arrivals: April 28, Grace Dent and Western Star, off bar; Mar Newton, Victory, Alpha, Daphne, Amphitrite, and Adelaide, ready for sea. Passed: Adelaide, at 4 p.m., for Byron Bay.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrivals: April 28, Australian (s.), at 9 a.m.; Thetis (s.), at 9.45 a.m.; Flirt (s.), at 10.45 a.m.; Ajax and Isolde; 16 feet on bar at high water. Passed: April 28, a schooner like Valley, at 2.15 p.m.; a brigantine schooner, at 11.45 a.m., north.

TWEED RIVER.—Departures: April 28, Queen of the South (s.), early; Wellington (s.), Hope, Florence Fenie, at 8 a.m.; Koolai, at 1.40 a.m.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrival: April 28, Queen of the South (s.), at 11.35 a.m.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrival: April 28, Wellington (s.), from Belanger, at 10.30 a.m. Passed: April 28, Rescuable (s.), at 9.15 a.m., south; Fitzroy (s.), at 11 a.m., north.

MANNING RIVER.—Arrivals: April 26, Leslie Maxwell, at 9.30 a.m.; Rosedale (s.), at 10.30 a.m.

CAMDEN HAVEN.—Departure: April 28, Champion.

SHOAL BAYS.—Passed: April 26, Telfer Vogel, at 10 a.m.; a Brisbane steamer, at noon; Helen Nicoll (s.), at 1 p.m.; Katoomba (s.), at 4.40 p.m., south.

NELSON'S BAY.—April 26, Mystery, ketch, windbound.

PORT STEPHENS.—Departure: April 26, Nicholas (s.), for Sydney.

KIAMA.—Passed: April 26, a large steamer, at 12.30 p.m., north.

TERANA.—Departures: April 26, Illawarra (s.), at 8 a.m.; Maranderry (s.), at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: April 26, Kiama (s.), at 8.15 a.m.; Flash (s.), at 12 a.m.; a steamer, at 2 p.m.; Corinna (s.), at 1 p.m.; Dandaloo (s.), at 5.30 p.m. A steamer, flying letters, K. H. B. F., at 5 p.m., north.

ULLADULLA.—Arrival: April 28, Kiama (s.), at 4 a.m., from Clyde. Departures: April 28, Allowrie (s.), at 5 a.m., for Tuross; Kiama (s.), at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS.—Passed: April 28, Allowrie (s.), at 6.30 a.m.; Ulimaroa (s.), at 11.30 a.m., north.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Passed: April 28, Beeswing (s.), at 10.15 a.m.; Tarrawong (s.), at 4.30 p.m., north.

TWOFOLD BAY.—Passed: April 28, R.M.S. Shannon, at 7.45 a.m., west; Beeswing (s.), at 7.30 a.m.; a steamer, at 8.30 p.m., north.

SWAN ISLAND.—Passed: April 28, a steamer with red funnel, at 1.45 a.m., west.

HOBART.—Arrival: April 28, Southern Cross (s.), at 11.30 a.m., from Melbourne. Departure: April 27, Vanguard (s.), at 12.15 p.m., for Melbourne.

CORNER.—Arrival: April 28, Monarch (s.), at 12.45 p.m., from Melbourne. Departure: April 28, Titus (s.), at 2.30 p.m., for Sydney.

ADELAIDE.—Departures: April 28, R.M.S. Lusitania, for Melbourne; Carlton, ship, for Newcastle.

CORAKO.—Arrival: April 27, Ellen, from Sydney.

ALBANY.—Arrival: April 24, Hesse, barque, from Cardiff.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING.

In the Stock and Share Market to-day very little business was done. Bank of New Zealand and Seywell's Tobacco were sold at higher prices; others quoted at late rates. The following sales were reported at 1 o'clock:—Bank of New Zealand (Sydney Register), 134; Queensland National Bank, 8. At 4 o'clock, Seywell's Tobacco, 10s. 6d. Closing quotations were:—

BANKS.	Buyer.	Seller.
A. J. Bank ...	10½	10¾
Colonial Sugar Co.	—	—
Issue ...	—	14½
New Issue, first call paid ...	—	—
Commercial ...	103	105
Federal ...	37½	37¾
Mercantile ...	94	96
STEAM.		
Australasian ...	9	10
Balmain Ferry ...	15½	15¾
C. S. S. ...	—	—
Ditto preference ...	—	14½
Hunter River ...	8½	9
Illawarra ...	2 8½	—
INSURANCE.		
General ...	½	—
Associated, 25 50 paid ...	12½	14½
City Mutual ...	1½	1½
Metro. Mutual ...	2½	3½
New S. Wales ...	1½	1½
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Amer. Gas ...	1½	1½
Cyanide Battery ...	25	27
City Carrying ...	—	—
Ham. Drains & Road Metal ...	—	20
Hudson Bros. ...	—	1½
Mont de Piété ...	19½	20½
Peake & Co. ...	2½	3½
Ditto (new) ...	—	—
Sarwood ...	—	10½
Sass and Co. ...	6½	—
Exchange ...	11	15
Tel. Cable Co'y ...	—	1½
LAND AND BUILDING COMPANIES.		
Anglo-A.U.T.L. ...	2½	—
25 paid ...	21	—
C. S and In. ...	40½	42
Exchange ...	—	—
Mer. B. L. & In. 50 ...	10½	—
Ditto, ½ paid ...	7½	—
Mutrop. S. & L. ...	2½	3½
Syd. Freehold ...	16½	17½
Syd. & Suburban ...	—	—
Old Land ...	—	—
Syd. and Sub. ...	—	1½
COLONIAL GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.		
New S. Wales Funded ...	Debentures due 1900 ...	Victorian, 6s.

Messrs. Fraser and Co. sold the following shares at auction to-day:—26 bank of New South Wales, 542; 50 Queensland National Bank, 8s 10d, 6d.; 30 Australian Gaslight Company, new issue, £18 11s. 6d.; 250 Monte de Piete Company, 19s. 6d.; 875 Hill and General Insurance Company, Limited, 3s. The following sales are reported:—60 Metropolitan B. and L. Association, paid £5, at £6 5s.; 600 Intercolonial L. L. and B. Co., paid 6s., at 6s. 3d.

Mr. H. E. Russell was to-day re-elected a director of the North Shore Ferry Company.

The half-yearly meetings of the Bank of New South Wales and Seywell's Tobacco Companies will be held to-morrow (Friday), at 12 noon and 2.30 p.m. respectively.

In the Import markets to-day's business was on an unimportant scale. The falling off in trade has greatly affected shipments to the colony from England, and as will be seen from the following table taken from Messrs. Stables, Strakan, and Co.'s circular, showing the gross value of shipments for the first three months of the year to each of the Australasian colonies, the decrease has been proportionately greater than to any of the others:—

	1887.	1886.	1885.	1884.
Victoria ...	£1,567,400	£1,885,500	£1,649,500	£1,971,200
Sydney ...	1,987,000	2,246,700	1,860,700	1,894,200
Queensland ...	426,000	627,500	651,000	818,000
Adelaide ...	276,000	400,800	360,000	420,000
Swan River ...	51,500	80,000	70,000	47,000
Tasmania ...	93,000	141,100	131,000	79,100
New Zealand ...	681,700	910,000	667,400	844,000
	£5,705,600	£6,178,900	£5,629,300	£6,073,300

To the combined ports the gross values, which are the lowest stated 1881, amount to £4,793,300, a decline upon last year of £1,385,000, or over 22 per cent. To Melbourne the reduction amounts to £318,000, about 7 per cent; Sydney has fallen off by £260,700, over 50 per cent.; Queensland by £170,000, nearly 30 per cent.; Adelaide by £130,000, about 22½ per cent.; and New Zealand by £230,000, over 25 per cent. Swan River and Tasmania were also each lower. Thus the decline in shipments to New South Wales was greater than to any other colony, and was the chief which importers have put upon trade in consequence of the prevailing depression. Flour is going off at late quotations, the demand being rather slack. The deliveries by rail for the week amount to 1352 tons wheat and 330 tons flour. Intercolonially, 676 tons flour and 93 tons wheat were received from Victoria, 740 tons flour and 8 tons wheat from Adelaide, and 12 tons wheat from New Zealand. Scarcely anything was done in teas. A good inquiry noticed for white sugar, but stocks are almost entirely in the hands of the company; yellows are not moving off so freely at the moment. Van Ilbuenten's cocoa source, a parcel placed at 8s. 8½d. f.o.b. In dried fruits, Zantes are unaltered. Latest mail dates state that supplies in London having been supplemented, the market was becoming in favour of buyers; but a private telegram, received by way of Melbourne to-day, states that the London market was rising. Currants have been noticed to-day at 5¼d. English news to 17th March is to the effect that a strange feeling pervaded the market and it was discovered that the stocks only amounted to 19,794 tons against 19,451 tons at the same time in 1886: Provincial being quoted at 16s. 6d. to 17s. in casks; Patras at 18s. to 18s. 6d., and Vostizza at 20s. to 20s., and up to 20s. 3d. to 20s. packed. Spices is a good demand for barley, especially malting: Victorian, 6s. 6d., 5s. 7d.; New Zealand, 5s. 3d., duty paid; Cape, 5s. 8s. 2d. Maize, 4s. 9½d. Bean, 10½d. to 11s. A tendency to inquiry is noted for sugar. Whites are firm. The prices for Foochow tea were well maintained at auction to-day. Items raisins, 5d., duty paid; sultanas, 5½d.

ADELAIDE, THURSDAY.

Share Report.—Sales: Broken Hill, cum bloods, £86, £87 10s.; ex bloods, £80 10s., £81 5s.; rounds, £2 10s., £3 5s.; blocks, £2 10s., £3 10s.; Umberumberka, contributing, £4 5s., £4 6d.; Junction, £11 5s., 10d., 12s.; Day Dreams, 7s. 6d., 7s. 8d.; Pinnacle Tributes, 5s. 9d.; Rates, 2s. 4½d., 2s. 6d.; Christmas, 9d. to 10d.

Wheat and flour are dull; there is no alteration in prices. Sugar is steady and quiet. General business is quiet.

THE MAILS.

Mails will be made up at the General Post Office for the undermentioned places as follows. The times of closing are for letters:—

	THIS DAY.
Melbourne, Overland ...	4.15 & 7 p.m.
Adelaide, Overland, via Melbourne ...	3.30 & 7 p.m.
Hobart and Launceston, overland to Melbourne, and thence per steamer ...	7 p.m.
Queensland, via Newcastle, and thence overland, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday ...	4 p.m.
Ditto, Saturday ...	8.30 p.m.
Supplementary Mails for the United Kingdom and Continent of Europe, per South Australian, from Melbourne to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Company's steamer Orcya ...	2 p.m.
United Kingdom, and Continent of Europe, overland to Melbourne, and thence per North German Lloyd's steamer Habsburg ...	5 p.m.
Brisbane and Northern Ports, by the Barcoo (s.) ...	4 p.m.
Tamworth, Coolbowie, Tenterfield Island, and Newcastle, by the Gwydir (s.) ...	5 p.m.
Newcastle, by the Dapto (s.) ...	11 a.m.
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Brisbane and Northern Ports, by the Barraboi (s.) ...	SATURDAY. 12 noon.
Ditto, by the Burnagata (s.) ...	12 noon.
Maclean River, by the Woodburn (s.) ...	4 p.m.
Clarence River, by the Hawk Nicoll (s.) ...	5 p.m.
	MONDAY.
Paris, W. & I., India, and Continent of Europe, overland to Melbourne, and thence per P. and O. Co.'s steamer Shannon ...	2.30 p.m.
United Kingdom, ditto ...	8 p.m.

DESPATCH OF MAILS FOR THE UNITED KINGDOM.

Despatched.	Date.	Letters.	Newspapers.	Late Letters.
Overland to Melbourne, and thence per P. and O. Co.'s steamer Ballarat.	This day.	Register 2.30 p.m. Ordinary, 4 p.m. Within 4 miles.	2.30 p.m. 16 each.	For the United Kingdom only, will be received at the G.P.O. up to 4 p.m., extra fee, 6d.

For rates to places other than the United Kingdom see "Postal Guide."

Correspondence intended for transmission by the North German Lloyd's steamer, must be endorsed "Per Habsburg."

Mails for the United Kingdom per North German Lloyd's steamer Habsburg will be made up on the 4th June.

Despatched.	Date.	Letters.	Newspapers.	Late Letters.
Per South Australian (s., from Melbourne to Adelaide, and thence per Orient Co.'s s.s. Orcya.	This day April 29, 1887.	Register 1.30 p.m. Ordinary, 3 p.m. 56 the 4pm.	1.30 p.m. 16 each.	For the United Kingdom only, will be received at the General Post Office up to 4 p.m., extra fee, 6d.

For rates to places other than the United Kingdom see "Postal Guide."

Despatched.	Date.	Letters.	Newspapers.	Late Letters.
Overland to M'bourne, and thence per P. and O. Co.'s steamer Shannon.	Monday, May 2, 1887.	Register, 1.30 p.m. Ordinary, 3 p.m. 56 the 4pm.	1.30 p.m. 16 each.	For United Kingdom only, will be received up to 4 p.m. Extra fee, 6d.

For rates to places other than the United Kingdom, see "Postal Guide."

Correspondence intended for transmission by the P. and O. Co.'s steamers must be endorsed "Via Brindisi."

PARCELS MAIL.

Postage to the United Kingdom.—Parcels addressed to the United Kingdom, or to places beyond, via the United Kingdom, will be received at the Parcels Office, George-street, for transmission per Orient Company's steamer Orizaba up to noon on Friday, 6th May.

Parcels not exceeding 3lb. in weight, 3s.; for every additional lb., or fraction thereof, 1s.

Weight and Size to the United Kingdom.—Parcels must not exceed 11lb. in weight, 2 feet 6 inches in length, or 2 feet in girth and length combined.

Parcels must not be posted in a letter-box, but must be taken to the Parcels Office in George-street, where the necessary declaration as to their contents and value must be signed.

For postage, weight, and size of parcels for Foreign countries via the United Kingdom see "Postal Guide."

ABSTRACT of SALES by AUCTION THIS DAY.

W. GARLING.—At Bazaar, at 2, Horses, &c.

G. KISS.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, &c.

T. CONGROVE.—At Bazaar, at 11, Horses, &c.

W. INGLIS and CO.—At Bazaar, at 10.30, 11.30, 12, and 3, Horses, Cows, &c.

BROWN BROS. and CO.—At Bazaar, at 11 and 11.45, Horses, &c.; at 12, Cows; at Corporation Yards, at 11, Pigs, Calves.

G. WELLS.—At Darling Harbour, at A. Wood, &c.; at 2.30, Hay, &c.; at Hunter River Company's Wharf, at 11, Hay, &c.; at Corporation Yards, at 12, Pigs, Calfs, &c.

ELLIS and CO.—At Darling Harbour, at 2.30, Hay, &c.; at Yards, at 3, Calves, &c.; at 1.30, Dairy Produce; at 2.15, Poultry, &c.; at 4, Horses, &c.

TATE BROS.' AGENCY AND TRADING CO.—At Darling Harbour, at 9.30, Hay, &c.; at Rooms, at 12, Wine, Maize, Oats, &c.

C. MOORE and CO.—At Rooms, at 11, Vases, Albums, Fancy Goods, Glass and China Ware, &c.; at 3.30, Pianos and Organs.

W. CRANE.—At Derwent-street, Forest Lodge, at 11, Furniture, &c.

MILLS and PILE.—At Chandos and Elizabeth streets, Ashfield, at 11, Furniture, &c.

BRADLEY, NEWTON, and LAMB.—At Crystal-street, Petersham, at 11, Furniture, &c.

G. V. CLARKE and CO.—At Alfred-street, North Shore, at 11, Furniture, &c.

J. B. HAMILTON.—At Rooms, at 11, Pianos, Furniture, &c.; at 11.30, Effects of Intestate Estates.

KELLETT and ALFRED.—At Rooms, at 11, Books, &c.

HARRIS and ACHMAN.—At Mart, at 11, Furniture, &c.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At Rooms, at 11.30, Houses and Lands.

MORT and CO.—At Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.

HILL, CLARK, and CO.—At Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.

F. L. BARKER.—At Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow.

HARRISON JONES, and DETLIN.—At Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow; at C. and E. R. Co.'s Wharf, at 11.30, Oats, Maize, &c.

J. BRIDGE.—At Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at 2.30, Tallow; at Corporation Yards, at 12, Calves, &c.

S. C. and W. C. (CO-OPERATIVE), LTD.—At Corporation Yards, at 11, Pigs, &c.; at Rooms, at 12, Butter, &c.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At Yards, at 12, Calves, &c.; at 2, Dairy Produce.

A. VIDER.—At Rooms, at 11, Piano, Office Desk, Weighing Machine, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At Rooms, at 11, Jewellery, Watches, &c.; at 1, Clothing, Blankets, &c.

BUTT and COLLINS.—At Rooms, at 2.30, Ferns, &c.

GIBBS and CO.—At 48, Clyde-street, at 12, Furniture, &c.

REYNOLDS BROS. and CO.—At Rooms, at 11, Oil Paintings, Water Colours, &c.

J. G. FLEMING and SONS.—At Mart, at 11, Furniture, &c.

G. P. BAINES.—At Railway-street, Petersham, at 2, Furniture, &c.

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J. P. LISTER.—At Rooms, at

arrangement, and thus to leave the process of political annexation to Melbourne to run its course.

Whilst the last MINISTER was in office the employees of the Railway Department formed themselves into an association for certain purposes of mutual protection and aid. The movement was discouraged by the COMMISSIONER FOR RAILWAYS because it was manifest that whatever the avowed intentions of the promoters might be, the organisation would provide the machinery for subjecting, or attempting to subject, the management to pressure at some future day. The MINISTER gave the COMMISSIONER a certain measure of support, and when a deputation from the association waited upon him, declined to recognise them as a deputation from the association, though he was willing to hear what, as servants in the department, they had to say. That was the right attitude for the MINISTER, as guardian of the public interests, to take. From some remarks recently made by the new MINISTER it may be inferred that he will give to the association his encouragement and support. When Mr. SUTHERLAND came into office he found that trains were not run upon the Mudgee railway at night. This was not a matter of accident, but it may be presumed one of well-considered policy. Certain portions of the line are, through the peculiar nature of the soil, where it passes through cutting, liable to be blocked after rain by landslips, from the side. The danger of accident could only be removed by a heavy outlay upon the line, but could be avoided by not running trains at night. That was the reason of their discontinuance. The new MINISTER has decided to revert to the running of night trains, directing, however, that particular care shall be taken by the officials. Of course, particular care could have been taken at any time as well as now. The question is whether the most particular care would be a sufficient guarantee for safety. The people of the district have been complaining; but they sent in complaints before, which were considered at the time. We are not aware of any change in the conditions, except that a new Minister is in office.

Mr. SUTHERLAND'S abandonment of his predecessor's undertaking in the matter of the construction of a number of railway locomotives for which tenders had been sent in, we shall discuss another day. For the present, having referred to changes the policy of which is to be questioned, we turn to the more pleasing duty of noticing another which commends itself to approval on grounds of expediency and justice. The last MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS represented a distant country constituency. His sympathies were with the country, and they seem to have obscured his perception of what was fairly due to city and suburban interests. He found that the railways were not paying. The chief cause was the deficiency of the traffic on country lines, some of which did not yield enough to cover working expenses, to say nothing of interest on the capital invested. Meanwhile the traffic on what is called the suburban section—namely, the line between Sydney and Parramatta—gave returns that paid working expenses and interest on capital, and, further, a considerable profit, which went to lessen the loss incurred in the distant country districts. In 1885 the net profits on this section amounted to nearly 8 per cent., and yet, although the travellers on the suburban section thus paid the Government considerably more for the services rendered them than the cost to the Government, Mr. LYNE raised the rates, and thus in effect subjected suburban passengers to a special tax for the benefit of the country districts. It is only just to Mr. SUTHERLAND to point out that, in reducing rates on the suburban section, he has taken prompt measures to remedy a palpable injustice.

As will be seen in another column, the verdict of the Coroner's jury, in the matter of the Leichhardt tram accident, was to the effect that the death of the girl MARY ANN EVANS was the result of injuries accidentally received through falling from a tram-car while it was in motion. As this shocking accident formed the subject of several speeches in the Legislative Council last evening, it will not be amiss to call the attention of our readers to this verdict. On the occasion of a serious tram accident it is generally assumed that the loss of life is the result of our tramway system, and the latest case forms no exception to the rule. The members of the Legislative Council who spoke on the subject appeared to take it for granted that the girl EVANS came to her end because the tramways stop so short a time at the street corners, and because our tramway system as a whole is not only offensive but dangerous. We have no wish to be the apologists either of our tramway management or of the system at present in vogue. There is much to be said against both. We are bound, however, to point out that very few indeed of the accidents that occur on the tram-lines are the result either of the tramway system or of the tramway management, and that it is owing very largely to the consideration and caution of the tramway employees that accidents are not much more numerous. Considering first of all the number of persons carried in our tramcars, and next the conditions under which the tramways are conducted, the fewness of the accidents is surprising. A glance at the Report will show that a very large percentage of the accidents that have occurred since the tramways were started was the result of sheer carelessness. Let us look at the case referred to. The principal witness states that the deceased got up from her seat and went down stairs, the tram being in motion at the time, and that when she got to the bottom she held to the rail with her left hand; that suddenly she lost her balance, swung round, and fell between the two cars; the stairs at the time being clear all the way down, and no one but the deceased being on the platform. If these are the facts, the jury had no course open to them but the one they took. In such a case it is impossible to blame either the trams or the conductors. It is of the greatest importance that the blame of occurrences like this should be attached to the right persons. What this unfortunate girl did is done by a very considerable number of tramway passengers. It is no uncommon thing for young persons especially to move from the upper to the lower deck while the trams are in motion, and the wonder is, not that accidents occur, but that they do not occur more frequently. We may also remark that, while the tramways may be quite as dangerous as they are said to be, if the same liberties were taken, hardly less serious results would follow with any tramway system, or with any other system of locomotion that might be devised.

Our correspondents have done commendable service in pleading for the preservation of our wild flowers. No country in the world has, perhaps, more beautiful plants and flowers. It would seem hostility to the fitness of things to permit the wholesale destruction of these features of native beauty. There is no doubt that, in the rush of the city's growth, much has been destroyed in the matter of flowers and shrubbery that might easily have been preserved. It is too late to consider that. But there are portions of the suburbs, and the Lachlan Swamp in particular, where nature has still its full swing, and where the hand of the Vandal has not set its mark. It would be wise for the authorities, in considering the use to be made of the Lachlan Swamp, to keep in mind that it will be easy enough in the future to utilise art for beautifying these places, but that Nature's landscape-gardener only does his work once. Cultivated flowers and shrubs are beautiful, but they can be had every day. If the specimens of our native growth are to be preserved in any form, it would be wise to do it where creation has first done its best. The Lachlan Reserve would not need a great deal done to it to make it an ornament to the city and a place of national recreation. It is romantic and diversified now. Given good drives about it, and care in arrangement, and the public would in the future have a choice bit of native scenery in the heart of civilisation. It is certainly necessary that every means should be taken to stay the elimination of what will be more valued in another generation than in this.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

WE have to chronicle this morning a disastrous occurrence which has taken place on the north-west coast of Australia. Intelligence reached Perth yesterday to the effect that the whole of the pearling fleet employed on the north-west coast had been destroyed by a hurricane, with the loss of 550 lives. How many of these persons were Europeans is not known, but most of the divers consist of natives, Malay divers were employed at one time, but the cost of introducing them was so great that they were displaced by the aborigines. It is stated that in 1885 the take of pearlshells amounted to 284 tons, valued at £41,000, while the pearls obtained represented a value of £15,000. It will thus be seen that a valuable industry has been seriously crippled, if not absolutely destroyed.

THE news received by telegram from Melbourne to the effect that it was feared H.M.S. Tyne had been in collision, or had struck a rock, owing to the state of her bows as seen by the commander of the steamer Glaucus, has proved to be true. At about half-past 2 o'clock on Monday afternoon, off Wilson's Promontory, H.M.S. Tyne and Myrmidon came into collision the former striking the Myrmidon almost at right-angles, and damaging her seriously, while she herself had all her bows stove in and her fore compartment filled with water. The weather was fine and clear at the time of the accident. It was believed on both vessels that the one wanted to communicate with the other. The Tyne and Myrmidon arrived in port last night.

THE English mails for Sydney, ex Lusitania, dated London, March 25, will be delivered about 2.30 p.m. to-day, the 35th day from time of posting.

THE instructions of the New South Wales delegates to the Imperial Conference were to act in concert with the Governments of the Australian colonies with regard to the New Hebrides question. They have been cautioned, however, as far as possible to avoid any impolitic course of treatment. The utterances of Sir Patrick Jennings at the Conference, as they appear in the cablegram published in our issue of yesterday, seem to indicate that his views on this matter are not in accord with those expressed by the representatives of the other colonies interested. He has denied that Australia is unanimous upon the subject, and has stated that a considerable party in New South Wales accepted Lord Rosebery's proposals, which were very generally condemned by the colonial delegates. His views in this respect appear to be at variance with those of the Government here, for Sir Henry Parkes, we understand, endorses the action of the Victorian delegates at the Conference in regard to the transportation of French criminals in the Pacific, and the question of the French occupation of the New Hebrides.

THE Legislative Council again sat for four or five hours yesterday, and disposed of the whole of the business on the paper with the exception of a motion standing in the name of Mr. Dodds, with reference to the erection of a high level bridge to connect Sydney with North Shore. This was withdrawn by the hon. gentleman on the ground that the representative of the Government had stated on a former occasion that the Government were about to consider the matter involved in the question. The debate on the second reading of the Divorce Bill was resumed, and after some discussion, during which the measure was warmly criticised by its opponents, the motion was agreed to. The bill was then taken into committee, but no progress was made. The Cremation Bill was subsequently recommitted, for the consideration of clauses 3 and 8, which were amended, and the third reading of the bill was made an order of the day for Thursday next. The Conditional Purchases and Leases Validation Bill was read the third time, after a speech by Sir Alfred Stephen in support of the measure. Before the House adjourned, Mr. Simpson called attention to the present system of running the trains; and, after some discussion, Mr. Salomons promised to bring the matters referred to under the notice of the Minister for Works.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Executive Council was held yesterday, for the purpose of appointing a Royal Commission to inquire into the late mining disaster at Bulli. The names of the commission are:—Dr. J. R. M. Robertson, F.R.S., C.E., president; Mr. George O'Malley Clarke, stipendiary magistrate; Mr. John Jones, practical miner at the Lithgow Colliery; Mr. John Y. Neilson, colliery manager; and Mr. John Owens, miner, Newcastle. The names were published in a special supplement of the *Government Gazette* yesterday afternoon, and announced in the Legislative Assembly in the evening. Mr. Thomas Crouches, manager of the Lambton Colliery, whose appointment on the commission was announced a few days ago, has declined to act except upon conditions which it was impossible, we believe, for the Government to entertain. With regard to Mr. Thornton, it is stated that he failed to obtain permission from those by whom he is employed to sit on the commission. It is said that, in consequence of the adverse criticism of certain members of Parliament (who have an interest in mining centres), regarding the *personnel* of the commission, some of the gentlemen who had been asked to take seats on it refused to act.

THE debate upon the Colonial Treasurer's financial statement was resumed in the Legislative Assembly shortly after the dinner hour yesterday evening, and was continued until half-past 11, at which time it was further adjourned until Tuesday next. The reason for the adjournment was that a number of members who have not yet spoken in the debate desire to address the House, and some of them are not disposed to speak late at night. Sir Henry Parkes agreed the more readily to the proposal because there was an understanding that if the Government consented to an adjournment, the House would proceed with the consideration of the Additional Judge Bill; and, besides this, an arrangement was made that both sides should endeavour not to prolong the financial debate beyond Tuesday. After the debate had been adjourned, the Additional Judge Bill was read the second time and passed through committee. Just before the House rose Mr. O'Sullivan asked the Premier whether he could state when he would inform the House of the intentions of the Government with regard to the celebration of the Centenary of the colony. Sir Henry Parkes said he did not think he could fix a day, but he would make a statement on the subject very soon—probably next week.

THE Legislative Assembly agreed yesterday, by a division of 37 votes to 12, that on and after Tuesday next Government business should take precedence of general business after 7 o'clock p.m. on Tuesdays. The motion was opposed strongly by several members who sit on the left of the Speaker. Sir Henry Parkes explained that he moved the motion in order to assist the Government in pressing on the business of the session. The present session, he pointed out, belonged to last year, and if the affairs of the country were to be brought into a normal and healthy state, the session which belonged to this year must begin sufficiently early for it to be concluded by the end of the year, whatever sacrifices might be made. Mr. Abbott characterised the motion as unreasonable, and other members of the Opposition followed in the same strain; but after a vigorous speech in reply from the Premier the motion was passed on the division mentioned above.

IN reply to a question recently asked in the Legislative Assembly, Sir Henry Parkes announced that the subject of Chinese immigration to the colony would shortly receive the consideration of the Government, with a view to the introduction of fresh legislation. The matter appears to be one that cannot be dealt with too soon, for it has been found that the cunning celestials, whose aptitude for ways that are dark is proverbial, resort to many tricks for the purpose of evading and defeating the object of the Chinese Restriction Act. Numbers of Chinamen who have been in the colony for a more or less lengthened period obtain, under the terms of the Act, permits to visit their native country and return again, exempt from poll-tax dues. Instead of returning, they, in many instances, sell the permits to persons of similar build and height to themselves, but the dodge is generally detected by the Custom House officers, when the new-comer arrives, through his inability to speak English. The result of the unfortunate creatures being intercepted on their arrival is that the poll-tax is generally paid for them by some of their countrymen, and the new comers are sent to the gardens to work out the redemption money. Their condition there is no better than slavery. Certainly, through this means the revenue does not suffer; but the principal object of the Act—that of keeping the Chinese out of the colony—is defeated. The evasion of the provisions of the Act is also accomplished by the forging of naturalisation certificates, and by other means which have come to the knowledge of the Department.

A QUESTION was asked the Colonial Treasurer yesterday, in the Assembly, as to whether, in accordance with regulations passed by the Marine Board in January last, certain alterations had been made on board steamers in regard to the detaching apparatus for lowering boats, and provision for life-belts. Mr. Burns said the regulations respecting these matters would not come into force until June 30. They had been published, and copies of them had been served on the different steamship owners.

Mr. ALLEN, member for Paddington, has given notice in the Assembly of his intention to move the House into committee to consider the expediency of bringing in a bill to regulate the sale and delivery of fuel.

A DEPUTATION of gentlemen, representing the wholesale wine and spirit trade, waited upon the Treasurer yesterday morning, to protest against the increased duty on spirits. They pointed out that, in their opinion, the duty would not lead to an increase of revenue; and that it would prove objectionable from a moral point of view, inasmuch as it would encourage illicit distillation and smuggling. Mr. Burns, in reply, pointed out that since the new duties had been imposed there had been a considerable increase in the receipts through the Customs; and that with regard to illicit distillation, he did not believe it existed to the extent stated, but the Government would take steps to detect and punish the offenders. He promised, however, that the Government would give the statements made by the deputation every consideration. A report of the interview will be found elsewhere.

THE Colonial Treasurer and the heads of the Customs Department have had under consideration for some time the question of the desirability of enlarging the Custom House and the staff at Silverton, with a view to meeting the requirements of trade on the South Australian border. Mr. Powell, Collector of Customs, has lately visited the district, and has prepared a report upon the matter, which shows that the Silverton trade and the whole of the trade west of the Darling is commanded by South Australia. The terminus of the South Australian line at the border is at Cockburn, but the line has been only officially opened as far as Terowie and Petersburg—about 154 miles from Adelaide. The line thence to Cockburn—150 miles—is through a sparsely-inhabited country, and is constructed on the narrow guage principle. There are no stations, and no arrangements made for the reception of goods. Everything depends on the extension from Cockburn by tram or railway to Broken Hill, and the contract is taken for the construction of the line under the provisions of an Act of Parliament, and when the line is finished it is understood that the South Australian Government will furnish rolling-stock to work it. The distance from Cockburn to Silverton is about 20 miles by road, and from Cockburn to Broken Hill, about 39 miles. The route of the proposed tramline is from the South Australian border to Silverton, passing through the Umberumburka Mines, thence to Broken Hill, and the neighbouring mining properties. Silverton commands the traffic from the Poolamika tin mines, and the stock route from Queensland and Mount Gipps. It is believed, therefore, that when the line is completed the Customs trade will be considerable. In order to facilitate the Customs business the Colonial Treasurer has appointed a special officer to attend to trains from Adelaide to Cockburn, and when the tram line is completed the Treasurer will decide as to the site of the new Custom-house, the necessity for which has long been felt.

THE Minister for Works will receive a deputation today at 11 o'clock, introduced by Mr. John See, M.L.A., with respect to the railway from Grafton to the Tweed, from Grafton to Glen Innes, and from Glen Innes to Inverell. At half-past 11 o'clock the borough councils of Macdonaldtown and Alexandria will wait upon the Minister with respect to the goods siding at Erskinville. At noon the borough council at Petersham will interview the Minister on the railway rates, and some grievances of the iron trades will be ventilated at half-past 12. In the Colonial Secretary's department, a deputation consisting of the directors of the Benevolent Asylum will lay before the Premier their views upon the financial condition of the institution at 11 o'clock. At half-past 11 o'clock representatives of the City Night Refuge and Soup Kitchen will solicit a sum in aid of the charity. At half-past 12 o'clock a deputation from the Agricultural Society will ask for a subsidy in aid of the society. At the Lands Office, Mr. Garrett will receive a deputation from North Willoughby respecting the dedication of a recreation ground.

A PETITION, to which was attached 31,213 signatures, and which, it is said, measured no less than 361 yards, was yesterday afternoon presented in the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Burdekin on behalf of Mr. Riley. The petition, which was from persons interested in tobacco manufacture, and, generally speaking, from those opposed to the imposition of an excise duty on manufactured tobacco, set out that the petitioners considered the duty would be unjust in the extreme, as a heavy tax was already paid in this direction. The proposed increase of this duty, together with the duties on other articles consumed largely by the working classes of the community, taken in connection with the non-taxation of the wealthier classes, was said to be directly opposed to the first principle of political economy. The petitioners also represented that the additional excise duty would have the effect of crippling one of the largest industries of the colony, by reducing the output of locally manufactured tobacco, and would throw out of employment some hundreds of people, a result which in the present state of the colony would be most disastrous.

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR HENRY LOCH, the Governor of Victoria, and Lady Loch arrived here from Melbourne yesterday on a visit to Lord and Lady Carrington, at Government House. They were met at the railway station by Lord Bertie, Major Gascoigne, and a guard of honour of the Permanent Force, and driven to Government House in Lord Carrington's private carriage, attended by an escort of the Sydney Lancers, under Major Macdonald. The Hon. J. F. Burns (Colonial Treasurer), the Hon. C. J. Roberts, C.M.G. Postmaster-General), the Hon. J. Salomons (Vice-President of the Executive Council, representing the Government), the Mayor of Sydney (Mr. A. J. Riley, M.L.A.), Colonel Roberts, C.M.G., and Mr. L. J. Harnett (Sergeant-at-Arms) were present at the railway station to welcome the distinguished visitors, who were heartily cheered by a large crowd as they drove off. Sir Henry and Lady Loch intend to remain in Sydney some days, and they will afterwards proceed to Brisbane, where they will be the guests of Sir Anthony and Lady Musgrave. They propose to return to Melbourne about the middle of next month. The trip, we understand, has been taken chiefly for the benefit of Lady Loch's health.

LORD ABERDEEN, accompanied by the Minister of Public Instruction, visited the Industrial School ship Vernon yesterday morning. His Lordship, who manifested considerable interest in what he saw, as well as in what he heard relative to the success of the system of discipline observed on board, addressed a few words of exhortation and encouragement to the boys. As the visitors left the vessel the yards were manned in their honour.

THE Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, accompanied by his Lordship's private secretary, Captain Sinclair, left Sydney yesterday on board the s.s. Wairarapa for New Zealand, en route for Europe, via San Francisco. Lord and Lady Aberdeen were driven from Government House in the private carriage of his Excellency the Governor to the wharf of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, where a considerable number of persons were assembled to witness their departure. Amongst those who bade his lordship a final adieu as he went on board the steamer, were Sir John Hay (the President of the Legislative Council), Mr. James Wilson (the secretary to the Commercial and Pastoral Association), whose ancestors have been tenants of the Aberdeen family on the "Braes of Gight" for hundreds of years, and Mrs. Adams, who, in days gone bye, was nurse to the Earl. Lord Aberdeen expresses himself highly delighted with his visit to Sydney; but he much regrets having been unable to spend some time in the interior of the colony, to learn more of its pastoral and mineral resources. He purposes making a fortnight's stay in New Zealand before proceeding to San Francisco.

THE Government intend to ask Parliament to vote an address of congratulation to the Queen on the completion of the jubilee year of her Majesty's reign. Yesterday afternoon, in the Assembly, Sir Henry Parkes gave notice that on Wednesday next he would move,—"That this House agrees to the annexed address to the Queen, conveying the congratulations of Parliament to her Majesty on the auspicious event of the completion of the jubilee year of her reign, and authorises Mr. Speaker to sign such address on behalf of the Legislative Assembly, in conjunction with the President of the Legislative Council on behalf of the Legislative Council:—'To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty. May it please your Majesty.—We, the members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to approach your Majesty, and to offer our loyal and heartfelt congratulation on the completion of the 50th year of your Majesty's beneficent reign. We humbly trust that the Almighty may long preserve your life; that the weight of your great sorrows may be lightened by wise counsels giving happiness to your people; that you may at all times be sustained by the loyal attachment and affection of your subjects in all parts of the Empire; and we dutifully assure your Most Gracious Majesty that in no portion of your vast dominions are the sentiments of loyalty and love for your throne and person more warmly cherished than by the inhabitants of New South Wales.'" A similar notice of motion was given by Mr. Salomons in the Legislative Council.

AT Government House, Lady Carrington, Lady Darley, Miss Stephen, Miss Parkes, and the Mayoress have agreed that the following address should be laid before the women and girls of New South Wales for their acceptance and signature;—"To the Queen.—We, the women and girls of New South Wales, desire to offer our congratulations to your Majesty upon the completion of the fiftieth year of your reign. With respect and affection we offer our tribute of loyalty, and trust that God Almighty may continue to bless the Queen, to whose supreme place in birth and station has been added the sad title of pre-eminence in grief." A list of ladies who have agreed to form sub-committees to obtain signatures throughout the colony will shortly be published.

THE proposal of a Women's Jubilee Fund, or Queen's Jubilee Gift Fund, for the relief of widows and children left in circumstances of destitution, brought forward at the ladies' meeting held at Government House on April 23, seems to have met with such general approval that Lady Carrington, Lady Darley, Miss Stephen, Miss Parkes, and the Mayoress are preparing a circular, containing practical suggestions with regard to the collection and disbursement of such a fund. The co-operation and assistance of the Mayor will be solicited, in order that this circular may be laid before public meetings throughout the colony.

Mr. W. STEPHEN, M.L.A., has received from Mr. C. A. Goodchap a letter informing him that certain alterations suggested by him in the stopping places on the Botany tramway have received attention, and that arrangements had been made for the trams to stop opposite the post-offices when required.

CERTAIN alterations in the hours of closing mails for the Northern district, per Hunter River steamers, will be necessary on and from Saturday next. At present mails are closed at 4 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. for different parts of the districts; but on and from the 30th instant the mails for all places beyond Newcastle will be closed at 9.30 p.m.

YESTERDAY a *Government Gazette* extraordinary was published, containing a list of deeds of grant under the Real Property Act, which are ready for delivery to the persons named upon payment of the proper fees.

IN a *Government Gazette* extraordinary, which was published yesterday, Tumut was constituted a municipal district under the name and style of the municipal district of Tumut.

THURSDAY, May 5, has been proclaimed a public holiday in the electoral district of the Hunter.

THE Government is prepared, in the event of any scheme for the fortification of Albany and other coaling stations that may be required in these waters being agreed to by the colonial Governments, to contribute a fair share towards the cost. The question has not as yet received full consideration, and no proposals have been made on behalf of New South Wales. It will be remembered that some time ago suggestions were made that King George's Sound should be fortified by the establishment of a garrison at Albany, making that port a sanatorium for Imperial troops who had served in Ceylon. The climate of Ceylon, it was pointed out, was unhealthy, and a voyage to Albany and residence there would invigorate and restore the health of the soldiers. The matter appears, however, to have been allowed to drop, but whether it will be revived again or not it is difficult to say.

THE proposed Antarctic Expedition has been under the notice of the Colonial Secretary, certain proposals relating to the expedition having been made to the different Governments in these colonies; but no decision has yet been arrived at by him as to what course he will recommend for the adoption of the Government in reference to contributing to the funds of the expedition.

WITH reference to the statement made in the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Melville on Wednesday night, prior to the adjournment of the House, that "the hon. member for Parramatta had informed him that the doctors at the Parramatta Hospital had refused to admit a young girl, suffering from fever, brought in from Prospect, and finally she had only been admitted upon the hon. member in question insisting upon their admitting her," our Parramatta correspondent writes:—The facts of the case are these: The "young girl," a child aged 5 years, is the daughter of a woman named Ryan, who, with her son, aged 11 years, was admitted into the hospital on the 18th instant suffering from typhoid fever. When the child in question was brought to the hospital in the Government ambulance on Wednesday evening, Dr. M'Donagh, *locum tenens* for Dr. Phillips, the visiting surgeon for the week, pointed out that under the rules of the institution he could not admit the child, as, in the first place, she was suffering from an infectious disease (whooping-cough); and secondly, because it was expressly stipulated that children under 10 years of age were inadmissible except when suffering from an accident, or requiring surgical operation or immediate medical attendance. The attention of Mr. Hugh Taylor, M.L.A., a member of the hospital committee, and Sub-inspector Latimer was drawn to the case, and the latter waited upon Dr. Phillips, who had just returned to town, with the result that arrangements were made for placing the child in the receiving-room of the institution, where she still remains, and is being looked after by a nurse who had to be specially engaged, owing to the ordinary staff having their time fully occupied in attending to the patients in the hospital proper.

THE Hon. the Minister for Public Instruction paid a visit on Tuesday evening last to the rooms of the Art Society of New South Wales, situated in the Royal Arcade, Pitt-street, his object being to inspect for himself the work which is being done by the society in the direction of art education. Mr. Inglis, who was received by the president and several members of committee, spent a considerable time in examining with interest the work of the life class which was then assembled, as well as the studies by members of the other classes, and the appliances, models, &c., used by the society in carrying on their educational scheme. Before leaving, the Minister expressed his gratification at what he had witnessed, and his good wishes for the future welfare of the society. The classes for study from the life and the antique, and for painting, which are held during every week at the rooms, are very fairly attended, and will improve as the winter season sets in; but the advantages offered by these classes to the art student should be more widely known and availed of. Although a small fee is charged, it does not nearly cover the cost of instruction and models, the society's object being, with the means at its disposal, to foster and encourage rising talent, and afford it judicious instruction, so as to develop a school of colonial art. In this respect the society's work does not, as might at first be imagined, clash with that undertaken by Government in the same direction, in the Technical College. The former, in fact, aims to begin where the latter leaves off.

YESTERDAY afternoon a return was laid on the table of the Legislative Assembly, showing the rental paid for premises occupied as public offices by the Department of Works, the periods for which they have been rented, and the owners of the premises rented. The total rental paid amounts to no less than £2273. For the use of the Commissioner for Railways the following premises are rented:—Upper rooms in Pitt-street, belonging to the Australian Mutual Provident Society, at a rental of £600 per annum. In Phillip-street, premises belonging to W. Andrews at £250 per year, to E. Jones at £325 per year, and to W. Long at £250 per year. In Bridge-street, two buildings belonging to the estate of J. Brown at £260 per year each. The Engineer-in-Chief for Harbours and Rivers occupies two buildings, one in Henrietta-terrace, Phillip-street, belonging to the Hon. Richard Hill, M.L.C., at a rental of £250 per annum, the other office being in Queen's-chambers, Queen's-place, belonging to Mr. Randolph Nott, for which £78 per annum is paid. Most of the premises are held on a yearly tenancy, but the premises belonging to the Australian Mutual Provident Society are occupied under a five years' lease which will expire in March, 1888, when the rooms will be vacated.

THE Royal Commission which some weeks ago it was understood the Government were about to appoint for the purpose of having an inquiry made into the constitution of the Supreme Court and its practice and procedure is not to come into existence for the present. The Minister for Justice, replying to a question on the subject in the Assembly yesterday, said the Government had not yet determined to appoint the commission, as they had under consideration certain bills for effecting several reforms which, if carried into law, would, it was believed, to a large extent render such a commission unnecessary.

CARDINAL MORAN has received an official cablegram from Rome confirming the intelligence published yesterday respecting the establishment of new Roman Catholic dioceses, vicariates, and archiepiscopal sees in the Australian colonies. We understand that the Church authorities in Rome, in ordering the formation of the five new dioceses and the three new ecclesiastical provinces, have only carried out the recommendations of the Plenary Council of Australasia, which met in Sydney in November, 1885. Up to the present there were only two ecclesiastical provinces, that of Sydney, including all New South Wales and Queensland, and a small portion of West Australia and that of Melbourne, which embraced not only Victoria and South Australia, and the greater part of West Australia but Tasmania as well. New Zealand, it appears, was under the immediate jurisdiction of the Roman Propaganda. The three heads of the new provinces—Bishop Dunne, of Brisbane, Bishop Reynolds, of Adelaide, and Bishop Redwood, of Wellington, New Zealand—are all raised to the rank of Archbishop, so that including Sydney and Melbourne, there will be now five archiepiscopal sees in the colonies, each the centre of a province. The two new dioceses in this colony are Grafton and Wilcannia. Of the others, one is in the Gippsland district of Victoria, another in the northern district of South Australia, and the third in Christchurch New Zealand. Vicars Apostolic are also appointed to Fiji, New Guinea, and the new aboriginal mission in the Kimberley district, West Australia. Excepting in regard to the archiepiscopal sees referred to, the names of the prelates and vicars-apostolic who have been appointed are not yet known.

YESTERDAY the following gentlemen were gazetted members of a Royal Commission to inquire into the causes of the late disastrous explosion at the Bulli Colliery, and to consider the best means of preventing any similar occurrence:—Messrs. James Robert Miller Robertson, M.D., F.R.S., C.E., J.P. (president), George O'Malley Clarke, stipendiary magistrate, John Jones, John Owens, and John Young Neilson. The letters-patent relative to the Bulli Commission authorise Dr. Robertson, and Messrs. Clarke, Jones, Neilson, and Owens "to make a diligent and full inquiry into the cause of the explosion that recently occurred at the Bulli Colliery; to investigate all the surrounding circumstances in order to ascertain whether blame attaches to any person or persons, and, if so, to report the person or persons to whom blame attaches; to make any recommendation affecting the general management, especially the ventilation, of collieries; and to offer any suggestions which you may deem advisable for the amendment of the law relating to the working of coal mines, especially with the view of preventing the accumulation of dangerous gases." A clause of the document contains an intimation that it is the desire of the Government that so far as practicable the meetings of and inquiries by the Commission be open to the public, and another provides that the Commission shall within three months report the result of their investigation to the Government.

LAST night, at the School of Arts, Pitt-street, Mr. David A. Crichton gave another of his lectures upon agricultural and horticultural subjects, under the auspices of the Board of Technical Education. There was a large and appreciative audience, and the remarks of the lecturer appeared to interest many of those who were present. The title of the lecture was "Pruning," it being the second one upon the same subject. In his first lecture, which was delivered last week, Mr. Crichton necessarily had to confine himself to the theory of pruning, and some general remarks upon the various systems and their modifications. Last night the lecturer entered into details respecting the treatment required by the various kinds of fruit trees, shrubs, and other plants. He stated that though the general principles upon which the art of pruning is based must always be kept in sight by the operator, yet in practice the system adopted must be suitable to the nature of each particular kind of plant. Fruit trees, which want more pruning than any other plants, differ very widely in their requirements. Some produce their fruit upon the current season's growth, others on last year's shoots, and some again upon older wood, and each class required a different system of pruning. The lecturer described the treatment required by each kind of our cultivated fruit trees and shrubs, his remarks being both practical and interesting. Mr. Crichton also gave some practical information as to the pruning required by ornamental trees, shrubs, and other plants, and made some special remarks regarding the treatment of roses.

THE 33rd annual report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for 1886 was presented to the Legislative Assembly last night. The report is a very voluminous one, and contains a complete record of the additions made to the collections during the past year by purchases, exchanges, and donations. Amongst these additions may be specially mentioned shells and fishes new to the museum, birds and mammals from North-Western Australia; good specimens of porpoises caught on the coasts of the colony; a large collection of ethnological specimens from the South Sea Islands; the skeleton of a Megaceus hibernicus, commonly known as the Irish elk, and of an Ursus spelaeus, the extinct cave bear of Europe. The number of visitors to the museum in 1886 shows a slight increase—the total for the year being 127,231, as against 126,312 in 1885. The largest attendance on one day was 1526 on Easter Monday, and the largest Sunday attendance was 1218 on the 25th April. The average daily number of visitors throughout the year was 327 on week days and 793 on Sundays. A great improvement and desirable addition to the building has been made by the completion of the new hall, 70 feet long by 30 feet wide, which is being fitted up with show-cases for the ethnological collections. Notwithstanding these alterations the deficiency of adequate space is a serious drawback to the usefulness of the institution. The erection of the new hall has enabled the trustees to provide retiring-rooms for the accommodation of visitors, the absence of which has always been a source of complaint. The trustees regret having to report the death last year of the Hon. W. A. Brodribb, M.L.C., one of the elective trustees. His place at the board has been filled by the recent election of Mr. Edmund Fosbery.

A MEETING of the Y. M. C. A. Musical Society was held last evening in the Y. M. C. A. rooms to afford any ladies and gentlemen who might be desirous to become members an opportunity of testing their musical talents, either vocal or instrumental, for classification or otherwise; but the attendance being small it was deemed advisable to further postpone the meeting until next Thursday evening. Mr. H. J. Fairfax, the secretary, and Mr. Noble, the conductor, are doing their utmost to form the society, having for its object the cultivation of vocal and instrumental music by practice and public performance. The society will consist of performing members, lady associates, and subscribers. A code of rules, very carefully prepared, has been drawn up for the guidance of the members, and are of such a nature that a very bright future may be anticipated for the Y. M. C. A. Musical Society.

WITH regard to the Young Women's Christian Association, the general secretary (Sarah Fox) writes pointing out the disadvantage it is to be obliged to carry on the work in rented premises. Not only is the rent a serious incubus, but the accommodation afforded by an ordinary dwelling-house is inadequate and unsuitable. This year is jubilee year. Would not, our correspondent asks, the erection of a building for carrying out the association's objects be a grand and fitting memorial of the reign of our Sovereign—herself a noble example of what a true woman is? As the association deals with those of all creeds and classes, an appeal is made to the general public. And it is urged that, in placing a building in the possession of the Young Womens' Christian Association, good service would be done to the country by providing for the needs and welfare, present and future, of women who, hereafter, will live in happy and well-ordered homes.

ON Wednesday evening last a social gathering was held in the Wesleyan Lecture Hall, Parramatta, to bid farewell to Miss Pye, a young lady who had taught a class in the Wesleyan Sunday-school for about eight years, on the occasion of her departure from the town. The Rev. C. Olden, on behalf of the teachers, presented Miss Pye with a very handsome Bible, and she was also the recipient of a beautifully bound copy of Wesley's Hymns at the hands of her class.

A BAZAAR in aid of the funds of St. John's Parsonage, Ashfield, is now being held in the schoolroom connected with St. John's Church. The opening ceremony was performed yesterday afternoon by the Mayoress, Mrs. Riley, who was received by Dr. Corletta, the incumbent, and heartily welcomed on behalf of the ladies taking part in the movement. The Mayoress, in happy terms, expressed her sense of gratitude to the ladies for having invited her to be present, and trusted that they would reap good results from their work. She then declared the bazaar to be opened. The schoolroom, which was found somewhat small for the purpose required, is enlarged by an annexe in the form of a marquee, which answers admirably as an entrance and a promenade, and is further utilised as the *locus* of one of the stalls. The whole place is tastefully decorated with flags and greenery, and is illuminated at night by Chinese lanterns as well as gas. There are five stalls laden with handsome articles both for use and ornament, the work of the ladies of the parish, and a sixth devoted to suitable refreshments. The stallholders are Mesdames Lawson, Gibbes, Brentnall, Jones, Chatfield, and Corletta, and Misses Wilkinson and Corletta. The attendance during the afternoon and night was fair, and business was tolerably brisk. The bazaar will remain open until Saturday night, and selections of music will be given on each evening.

THERE was a very good attendance yesterday at the bazaar in aid of the building fund of the new Presbyterian Church at Randwick, which is being held in the local Town Hall. A large number of visitors attended in the afternoon and those present spent a considerable portion of their time in inspecting the varied assortment of useful and ornamental articles which have been made by the ladies connected with the Presbyterian denomination. Some substantial sales were effected, and it must be stated that a number of the articles so attractively displayed upon the stalls are well worth securing, as both in design and skilfulness of execution, they reflect much credit upon those who have made them. The Ladies' Society have provided a very handsome collection of goods. The "Art Gallery" and "The Gipsy's Tent" proved very attractive. The floral stall, presided over by Mrs. Yates and the Misses Robertson, was splendidly decorated with choice bouquets and nosegays and a quantity of well-grown pot plants. This stall may be said to be the principal feature of the bazaar. Refreshments were to be obtained at moderate charges. The Rev. W. S. Frackelton (pastor of the church) was present during the greater portion of the time the bazaar remained open. A musical entertainment was given in the hall in the evening, under the direction of Mr. G. W. Best, the organist of the church, and this proved very agreeable. It is hoped that the building fund will be largely augmented as a result of the effort which is being put forth by the Ladies' Society. The bazaar will be continued to-day and Saturday.

THE loopline of tramway connecting the Waverley line with that of Randwick is now practically ready for traffic, but it will not be opened until the beginning of next month. Time-tables have to be prepared, and other arrangements made, before the line is available for the public. The tramway, which is about a mile and three-quarters in length, runs close to the cemetery at Waverley, and it is expected to prove very serviceable to the public.

A CORRESPONDENT, over the signature of "The Monkey at the Corner," asks why the terminus of the tramway at Crown-street, Surry Hills, is used on Sundays as a depot for empty carriages to the annoyance of the inhabitants who, instead of spending a quiet Sunday, have to endure the screeching, yelling, and chattering of some scores of unrestrained young natives. He blames the tramway authorities for placing temptation in their way, and contends that the streets ought not to be made into tram termini.

The Melbourne *Argus* of 27th April says:—"A work of considerable magnitude will shortly be undertaken by the Railway Department. Owing to the rapid development of the traffic on the south suburban lines, and the frequency with which trains have to be run from the Flinders-street station, the underway beneath the Prince's Bridge-road is now inadequate to meet the requirements of the daily train service which passes through it. The opening is only large enough for one set of rails, and consequently the utmost care has to be exercised to prevent accident. The Railway Commissioners have now decided, in view

street the woman unexpectedly ran against the "swingle-tree" and was thus knocked down. The two wheels on the near side of the vehicle passed over her left leg and fractured it. The woman was immediately taken to the Sydney Hospital, and was admitted and attended to by Dr. W. R. Clay. A constable who saw the woman knocked down also heard the driver of the omnibus call out to her shortly beforehand to move out of harm's way.

As will be seen by an advertisement elsewhere, the public meeting of the Protective Political Association, at Paddington, has been unavoidably postponed until Monday, May 9.

THE following is the report of the Benevolent Asylum for the week ending April 27, 1887:—Admitted, 6 women 11 children; births, 4; 1 death; discharged, 4 women, 9 children; remaining in the house, 101 women 159 children—total, 260. Provisions distributed: 1762 loaves bread, 13031b. flour, 4611b. meat, 5051b. sugar, 125¾lb. tea, 101b. sago, 1721b. rice, 11b. arrowroot, 1111b. oatmeal. Fresh applications for relief, 16; cases reported by the inspector, 43; in 10 cases the relief was discontinued, in 1 case the rent money was disallowed, and in 2 instances it was reduced. Total number of cases relieved, 440.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, APRIL 28.

An impression is gaining ground that M. Schnabele, the French Commissioner, who was arrested by the German police on a charge of treason, will be shortly released, on condition that he shall be removed from Pagny-sur-Moselle, where he has hitherto been stationed.

THE IRISH CRIMES BILL.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, APRIL 28.

The Canadian Government voted against the resolution which was passed in the Dominion Parliament in opposition to the Irish Crimes Bill. Sir John Macdonald warmly deprecated meddling in Irish affairs.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, APRIL 27.

Previous to the House of Commons going into committee yesterday on the Crimes Bill, Mr. Reid moved that the consideration of the measure should not be proceeded with until the Irish Land Bill had been passed by the House of Lords and presented to the House of Commons. Mr. A. J. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, replied that the Government were unable to accept the amendment. The House then adjourned. The division on the amendment will be taken to-morrow.

OTTAWA, APRIL 27.

A debate took place to-day in the Dominion Parliament on the bill for the suppression of crime in Ireland recently introduced in the House of Commons. A resolution was brought forward condemning the bill in question, and upon the House dividing the motion was carried by a majority of 88 votes.

THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, APRIL 27.

At the sittings of the Imperial Conference to-day, Mr. James Service notified that he intended to re-open the New Hebrides question, and would demand that the Conference should receive the full confidence of the Cabinet. He insisted that a settlement should be arrived at before the delegates dispersed. Sir Samuel Griffith, Sir J. W. Downer, and Mr. A. Deakin subjected Mr. Henniker Heaton to a searching examination in reference to the project for the establishment of the penny postage system between England and the colonies. Mr. Heaton was unable to produce the tender which he promised to bring forward for carrying out the system.

Sir R. Wisdom, Sir Saul Samuel, and Sir J. W. Downer insisted that the question of the Australian mail contract should be settled altogether apart from the Conference. Sir Saul Samuel, Sir A. Blyth, and Sir Graham Berry spoke in favour of the proposal that England and the colonies should collect their own postages, and bear a moiety of the subsidy.

On the subject of telegraphic communication between England and the colonies, Mr. John Pender, chairman of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, undertook to modify his proposals for the leasing of the cables.

APRIL 28.

At the afternoon sitting of the Conference yesterday, Sir Saul Samuel warmly defended the British Post Office system as against Mr. Henniker Heaton's penny postage scheme.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, APRIL 27.

The Imperial Conference met again to-day. The morning sitting was occupied with the consideration of the question of telegraphic communication between England and the Australian colonies. Mr. John Pender, Chairman of the Eastern and Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, and Mr. Finch-Hatton, on behalf of the Pacific Cable Company, were called, and stated their views in detail. The debate was then adjourned until the afternoon. In accordance with the request of the delegates at their sitting last week, Mr. Henniker Heaton afterwards submitted in writing his scheme for the establishment of a penny postal service to the Australian colonies. Its final consideration was postponed.

THE JUBILEE CELEBRATION IN VICTORIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

The British and Foreign Bible Society has decided to distribute gratis copies of the New Testament to children attending the State schools of Victoria on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee. Each presentation copy will contain a verse of Scripture selected and written by the Queen, together with her Majesty's signature. A deputation representing the society waited upon the Minister of Education to-day, to ask permission to communicate with the teachers on the subject of the distribution. They stated that the society supplied the Testament at half cost, and collections would be made in the churches throughout the colony on Sunday, May 8, to raise sufficient money to pay the expenses and reimburse the society. Mr. Pearson replied favourably, leaving the teachers free to accept or decline the proposal.

JUBILEE CHESS CONGRESS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, THURSDAY.

The Jubilee Chess Congress met last night. For the major tournament a sum of £115 was allocated in prizes, ranging from £5 to £30. For the minor tournament £35 was appropriated in prizes ranging up to £10. The first prize in the major tournament will carry the chess championship of Australia. The congress will begin on August 17, and last for a fortnight.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RETURN OF THE QUEEN TO LONDON.

LONDON, APRIL 28.

Her Majesty the Queen will return to London to-day from her visit to Cannes and Aix-la-Chapelle.

THE NAVAL DEFENCES OF AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, APRIL 28.

The *Standard* considers that the Australian colonies are entitled to be treated in an indulgent manner in regard to the fortification of Albany and Thursday Island.

THE DISSENSION AMONGST THE LIBERALS.

LONDON, APRIL 28.

In addressing a meeting at Glasgow last night, Lord Rosebery stated that the patience of the Liberals with the dissidents is almost exhausted, and he fears that there will be a permanent split in the ranks of the party.

THE EMPEROR OF BRAZIL.

LONDON, APRIL 28.

The Emperor of Brazil, Don Pedro II., is in a critical state of health.

DALGETY AND CO., LIMITED.

LONDON, APRIL 27.

Tenders were opened to-day for £250,000 worth of debentures at 4 per cent. placed on the market by Dalgety and Co., Limited. The total amount subscribed was £400,000.

THE RECENT PLOTS AGAINST THE CZAR.

LONDON, APRIL 28.

The trial of 15 persons who are implicated in the recent attempts upon the life of the Czar is now being proceeded with at St. Petersburg.

TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES.

LONDON, APRIL 27.

The Two Thousand Guineas Stakes was run to-day at the Newmarket First Spring Meeting, with the following result:—

THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES, a subscription of 100 sovs. each, for three-years-old; the owner of the second horse to receive 200 sovs. out of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. One mile and 17 yards.

Mr. Douglas Baird's ch c Enterprise, by Sterling, sister King Alfred, 3 years, 8st. 10lb. 1
Mr. H. T. Fenwick's b c Phil, by Philammon—Phoebe. 3 years, 8st. 10lb. 2
Mr. C. Perkins's ch c Eglamore, by Thurio—Blair Bane, 3 years, 8st. 10lb. 3

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL CONTRACT.

LONDON, APRIL 27.

It is now confidently expected that the new contracts with the P. and O. and Orient Companies for the conveyance of mails to Australia will be signed at an early date, the term of the agreement being eight years in each case.

THE LONDON CHARTERED BANK.

LONDON, APRIL 27.

The directors of the London Chartered Bank of Australia have declared a dividend for the preceding half-year at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, and carry forward and place to the reserve fund £29,000.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, APRIL 25.

The British India Company's s.s. Waroonga, from London the 5th instant, arrived here on the 23rd, for Queensland.

APRIL 27.

The British India Company's steamer Almora, from Brisbane 22nd March, left to-day, homewards.

LONDON, APRIL 27.

The Orient Company's R. M. S. Orient, Melbourne March 18, arrived at Plymouth on the morning of the 27th instant.

LATER NEWS FROM THE EAST.

THE STEAMER BENTON RUN DOWN.

150 PERSONS DROWNED.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

The following Eastern advices have been received by the R.M.S. Derunda, via Cooktown:—

On the night of the 29th March, between Formosa Bank and Batu Papat, the steamer Benton was run down by the steamer Fair Penang, and sank. There were over 200 souls on board the Benton, and only 50 were saved. The captain, chief engineer, five European female passengers, and the rest, who were natives, were drowned. Both steamers were owned in Singapore.

The Sultan of Perak has subscribed £1000 to the Imperial Institute.

A telegram has been received from Timor announcing that a sudden revolt has taken place at Manbawa, and that Signor Mara, Governor of Timor, has been assassinated. Troops have been sent to Macao to render assistance in quelling the revolt. The Portuguese gunboat Tamega has also been despatched there.

THE BREAK OF GAUGE ON THE RAILWAY TO BRISBANE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

It is understood the Acting Chief Secretary has written to the Premier of New South Wales regarding the break of gauge on the intercolonial railway at the border. After citing the results of the various interviews between the Government engineers and the Ministers of both colonies, and also the correspondence on the subject, he states that "the point of meeting of the railway system was mutually fixed at Wallangarra, originally and afterwards confirmed, and it was not until earthworks at Wallangarra had been constructed by the contractor and the plans and estimates of the proposed buildings had been submitted that any question as to the carrying out of the approved arrangement was raised. Even then the only point of difference was as to the amount of money to be expended for the works and buildings. The question of making Tenterfield the point of meeting was first mooted by Sir Patrick Jennings in March, 1886. It was then dropped, and was again revived in conversation between Mr. Lyne and Mr. Miles when the latter visited Sydney in December last, and the first definite proposal on the matter, was contained in a letter of Sir Henry Parkes, dated the 6th instant. It is submitted that under these circumstances the Railway Department of this colony has acted within the agreement mutually arrived at between the Governments of the two colonies, and that the money expended on the earthworks on the New South Wales side of the border at Wallangarra is justly due to this colony by New South Wales, and should be paid without further delay. Also, seeing that this colony has been compelled to provide the necessary accommodation for working its own traffic at Wallangarra, it now remains for New South Wales to take action, and provide any further accommodation that may be necessary to make Wallangarra the changing station for the railway traffic to and from Queensland." It is finally pointed out that the Government of this colony has, in treating Wallangarra as the changing station, acted throughout in good faith on the understanding mutually arrived at between the two colonies, and that it cannot consent to the proposition now submitted by Sir Henry Parkes that the break of gauge should take place at Tenterfield.

TERRIBLE CALAMITY OFF THE NORTH-WEST COAST.

THE PEARL-FISHING FLEET DESTROYED.

550 LIVES LOST.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PERTH, THURSDAY.

A great calamity happened to the pearling fleet on the north-west coast last Friday. The fleet was lying off the 90-mile beach above the De Grey River, consisting of a great number of boats. A hurricane suddenly struck the fleet, and a terrible scene ensued. All the boats were damaged, and over 40 were lost or driven out to sea. Most of the 40 boats were sunk; but it is believed that some have drifted out to sea mastless. The crews on these boats are short of provisions. It is estimated that 550 lives have been lost. Bodies are seen floating about, and many have been washed ashore, together with a great quantity of wreckage. Boats have been sent in search of the drifting craft. The s.s. Lustralind is to be sent out by the Government.

The affair has created a great sensation here.

REVENUE RETURNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ADELAIDE, THURSDAY.

The complete returns show that the revenue for the quarter ending March 31 last was £511,782, as against £623,393 for the corresponding period of last year. The principal decreases were in miscellaneous, £175,672, and Customs, £3560 7s. The expenditure amounted to £517,216, as against £565,770 for the corresponding period of last year.

STRANGE PROCEEDINGS AT THE TOWNSVILLE CIRCUIT COURT.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

At the sitting of the Northern Circuit Court, Judge Cooper this morning concluded a lengthy explanation in reference to his expenses. He said his allowance was insufficient, and as he declined to pay money out of his private pocket, and was afraid his cheques would be dishonoured, he had decided to close the court. He explained that he had telegraphed to the Colonial Treasurer, who received the telegram the previous evening, stating that unless the Government agreed that his cheques for expenses would be met he would close the court at 11 o'clock. Up to noon the Colonial Treasurer had not replied, and Judge Cooper was about to discharge the prisoners, when Mr. Power, who said he had instructed the police to rearrest the prisoners, appealed to the Judge to reconsider his decision. His Honor then consented to wait for two hours while Mr. Power telegraphed to Brisbane. He also said the Government had shown the greatest hostility towards him. The excitement is intense.

EXTENSIVE FIRE IN WELLINGTON.

THE POST AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES DESTROYED.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AUCKLAND, THURSDAY.

The Wellington Post and Telegraph Office, a new handsome brick building, which was erected at a cost of £26,000, was destroyed by fire this morning. The fire is supposed to have originated in the press-room, in the rear of the operating-room, and was discovered by a cleaner-up at half-past 4. The fire spread with great rapidity, and in a short time the whole building was a mass of flames. With the exception of the mails and a few telephones, little was saved, all the telegraphic instruments being destroyed. Fortunately there was no wind, otherwise an extensive conflagration would probably have resulted. The damage is roughly estimated at £40,000. No insurances were effected on the Post and Telegraph Offices.

COLLISION BETWEEN THE MERKSWORTH AND ILLAWARRA.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

KIAMA, THURSDAY.

Some little excitement was occasioned at the Robertson Basin this forenoon through a slight collision between the steamers Merkseworth and Illawarra. The Illawarra was lying at her usual berth, loading for Sydney, and a good number of passengers and friends were on board, when the Merkseworth, in ballast, entered the basin. Whether the engines were not stopped in time or the vessel failed to answer her helm is not known, but the Merkseworth instead of slewing forged slowly ahead and struck the Illawarra on the forward sponson, which was crushed and caused a dent in one or two plates. The Merkseworth was moving so slowly that it was thought that she would come to a standstill before reaching the Illawarra, but she had just enough way on to cause the damage described. Had the impetus been a little more the Illawarra would have been crippled.

CARCOAR LAND BOARD.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CARCOAR, THURSDAY.

The local land board finished to-day, after sitting for the last four days, presided over by Mr. C. E. Finch, chairman. The total number of cases dealt with was 87. Fifteen applications for conditional purchases were sent for survey, representing an area of 1527 acres. 2032 acres were directed to be surveyed to satisfy seven applicants for conditional leases, under the 45th section. Sixteen conditional lease applications were confirmed for 2352 acres and 4965 acres respectively. The rents were fixed on the latter from the minimum of 2d. to 4½d. per acre. The balance of cases were inquiries as to fulfilment of conditions, &c.; the annual values of some 10 conditional leases aggregating 65,099 acres, under the 52nd section, were appraised, the rents being recommended at from 2d. to 3½d. per acre.

DISCOVERY OF MINERAL WATER AT BALLIMORE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

DUBBO, THURSDAY.

The artesian well at the local coalfields at Ballimore is attracting attention. The water is a mixture of lime, magnesia, iron, alumina, silica, alkaline, and carbonate. It was struck at a depth of 540 feet after going through a seam of coal 5½ feet thick. The water is flowing out at the rate of 1000 gallons per hour, and will flow through tubing 30 feet above the surface. Mr. Sloss, the Government inspector, states it is the first mineral water found in New South Wales.

OVERLAND PASSENGER TRAFFIC.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

ALBURY, THURSDAY.

The following have passed through:—

For Melbourne (by express on Thursday): French, J. Harks, W. Peacock, G. W. Abson, Gordon, J. J. Wakely, H. L. Lewis, Rev. W. F. O'Byrne, H. Rosenthal, J. H. Fitzgerald, Kappel, C. Wood, Mrs. A. G. Fraser, Miss K. Campbell, Miss Blood, Miss Spring, Renwick, Rev. R. Vaughan, Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Dewhurst, Miss Dewhurst, Jas. Knight, L. Joubert, J. Chittleborough, Klauer, W. J. Fraser.

For Sydney (by express on Wednesday): T. M. Stewart, Sir Henry and Lady Loch and party, F. Davenport Campbell, F. B. Rowell, W. H. Gibby, J. G. Michalbrugh, A. Wilson, Captain and Mrs. Doughton, Miss Guthrie M'Donald, Todd, P. W. Robinson, Dr. W. H. Johnstone, Harding, Mrs. and Mrs. Bolson, Miss Bolson, Pidham, Turner, Cookson, Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Cran junr., Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Enright.

For Melbourne (by ordinary on Thursday): L. Walsh, A. Dap, J. Mizen, Mrs. J. J. Keane and nurse and three children.

For Sydney (by ordinary on Thursday): R. Newell, Miss Newell, Miss Emily Pearson, Miss Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Aldwich, Mathieson, Robson, Loughlan, Miss Neal.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, THURSDAY.

It is understood that the Postmaster-General is in favour of the penny postal system to all parts of the colony, and will probably submit a proposal on the subject to the Cabinet, when one or two important matters connected with the postal contracts will be settled.

Sir George Verdon was to-day elected president of the Public Library, and Mr. Edward Langton, vice-president.

The Mayor of Melbourne and Mrs. Cain gave a concert and conversazione in the Town Hall to-night to welcome Bishop and Mrs. Goe. The leading members of all denominations were invited, the hall being crowded.

At a meeting of the Royal Commission for the extension of the city westward, Mr. Woods, late Minister of Railways, in giving evidence, objected to any alteration in the Spencer-street station. Mr. Thwaites, an engineer in the Public Works Department, exhibited a plan for utilising the West Melbourne swamp without interfering with the railway or the proposed dock of the Harbour Trust. He advocated the construction of two large canals, running parallel with the Yarra and at right angles to the Saltwater River, the canals to be used as docks, giving a wharfage of over seven miles.

A deputation composed of delegates of the Local Option Committees in various parts of the colony, and representatives of the Temperance bodies, accompanied by several members of Parliament, waited upon the Acting Chief Secretary to-day, to urge the necessity of repealing the "one-third" clause of the local option provisions of the Licensing Act. Mr. Pearson declined to make any promise to open the licensing question next session, but said he would lay the matter before the Cabinet.

Those members of the committee of management of the Melbourne Benevolent Asylum who are opposed to the use of the prefix "Royal," presented a protest to-day against the petition which the majority of the committee recently resolved to forward to the Queen. The protest was overruled on the ground that the matter had been already dealt with.

The Pilot Board held an inquiry to-day into the circumstances attending the grounding of the steamer Tagliaferro, at Indent Head, on the 5th instant, while on her way from Newcastle to Melbourne with a cargo of coals. The board found that the captain had mistaken his position, and advised him to be more careful in future.

Land in Collins-street, at present occupied by shops and offices, having a frontage of 43 feet 3 inches, was sold to-day for £40,850, being at the rate of nearly £1000 per foot.

The Colonial Bank of Australasia has declared a dividend at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum.

The Federal Bank of Australia has declared a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent.

The annual chrysanthemum show was opened this afternoon, in the Horticultural Hall, Russell-street. The display of flowers was very fine.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, THURSDAY.

The steamer Rockhampton which left Gladstone on Wednesday week with 800 fat cattle for Melbourne, passed Cape Moreton on Saturday last, and as the weather had been very boisterous, the master determined to put into Newcastle, but in consequence of the strong southerly gale and heavy swell, the vessel laboured considerably, and seven cattle were killed. She returned to Cape Moreton, stores and provender having run short. She got a fresh supply from Brisbane, and was to have resumed her voyage south this morning if the sea had gone down. Cable communication with Cape Moreton is interrupted.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, THURSDAY.

It is understood that Lord and Lady Brassey will shortly arrive in Adelaide on a visit to the Governor.

The Sunbeam left Burmah about March 22 for Singapore and the north coast of Borneo, whence she will proceed to Fremantle, Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney.

A deputation, representing South Australian artists, waited on the Royal Commission for the Jubilee Exhibition to-day, asking that a separate court for local works of art should be arranged. The deputation will meet Sir Samuel Davenport and settle the matter at the Exhibition Building to-morrow. The pupils of the School of Arts were this morning allotted space for their exhibits in the south-eastern corner of the fine art gallery, being the portion immediately above the South Australian court in the main building.

At the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday the report dealt with several matters of mercantile interest, and regretted the existing depression. Several speakers gave reasons for taking a more hopeful view of the colony's prospects.

Louisa von Doussa, acting for A. von Doussa, secretary of the Onkaparinka Club, served the police with a notice of appeal against the decision of Mr. Bedome, P.M., in the recent totalisator prosecution. The appeal will be heard before the local court.

A servant girl named Mary Ann Painter, employed in Taylor's boarding-house at Mount Gambier, committed suicide this morning by taking strychnine. She mixed the poison in water, in the presence of she other servants, and said nothing about it, but went into the bedroom and drank it.

Bishop Kennion will leave the colony in March next to attend the Lambeth Pan-Anglican Conference summoned by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, THURSDAY.

Loyal addresses to the Queen from the Ministry have been wired to the Agent-General.

Another writ will be issued to-morrow for the Legislative Council, the seat of Mr. W. Crosby having become vacant in consequence of his having sold a quantity of cement to the Government.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, THURSDAY.

The New Representation Bill, based upon population, was introduced by the Premier, in the House of Representatives, to-night. The bill will provide for single electorates.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Bank of New Zealand to-day a dividend of 12½ per cent. was declared and £14,000 was carried forward. The figures show increased business and £2,800,000 cash resources. The directors' report states that £125,000 will be required from the reserve fund to meet exceptional losses, leaving £500,000 in credit of the reserve.

The Earl of Aberdeen, who was expected by the Zealandia, and for whose reception arrangements had been made by the sympathisers with Home Rule, cables that he will leave Sydney in the Wairarapa to-morrow, and will be happy to receive an address the day after his arrival.

GLEN INNES SEPARATION LEAGUE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

GLEN INNES, THURSDAY.

The Glen Innes Separation League expect to have 500 members by May 10. Yesterday Messrs. Legh, Burridge, Vincent, Grover, Hodd, and other gentlemen were appointed delegates to visit Dundee, Glencoe, Red Range, Clareval, and deliver addresses in support of the movement. The leading towns throughout the territory will be invited to co-operate and hold meetings in furtherance of the cause. A conference will afterwards be held, probably at Tenterfield. The body will be composed of representatives from Moree, Warialda, Inverell, Emmaville, Glen Innes, Tenterfield, Casino, Lismore, Ballina, Rocky Mouth, and Grafton. A petition will be drawn up, to be presented to the Imperial Parliament.

GOULBURN CIRCUIT COURT.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

GOULBURN, THURSDAY.

The Circuit Court has concluded its sittings. The only remaining case of importance was one in which a man named Greenwood claimed £1000 damages from A. Johnson and others, contractors for Goulburn to Cooma railway, for injuries sustained whilst working in a tunnel, in consequence of which plaintiff's leg had to be amputated. The jury found for defendants.

COUNTRY NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

ALBURY, THURSDAY.

A report has just been received of the accidental drowning of Mr. William Robertson, jun., of Broome. The deceased was accompanying his father to occupy some new lands they had just taken up. Whilst travelling he shot a duck, and rode into the water to get it and was drowned.

BATHURST, THURSDAY.

The New South Wales Western Rifle Association, recently formed at Bathurst, has issued its first programme of prizes, to be shot for in June next, commencing on the 8th. It contains eight matches, and the value of prizes amounts to upwards of £300.

Mr. J. G. Suttor, of Mullamurra, dropped dead in the street to-day. Deceased was the eldest son of Mr. T. C. Suttor, of Mount Grosvenor, and nephew of the Hon. W. H. Suttor, M.L.C.

The District Court was opened to-day before Judge Docker. The cases were only of local interest.

BULLI, THURSDAY.

Mr. Rowan, Inspector of Collieries, served a notice on the manager of the Coalcliff mine to-day to suspend work pending an investigation into the cause and effects of the earth crack and landslip which occurred recently. No connection has yet been discovered between the earth crack and the coal tunnel, nor is it expected such will be the case, the mine not having been in full work for some time, through shipping difficulties owing to the rough weather, the men will experience serious hardship through the cessation of work which, it is therefore hoped, will be brief. No change is apparent in the earth crack since last Thursday. The alarm is therefore subsiding. No damage has been done by the late rains, excepting some small slips on the railway cuttings near Clifton.

The Bulli progress committee to-night decided to request the Roads Department in future to invite all tenders for roadwork by advertisement, which it was complained had not been generally observed in this district. It was urged that the destitution prevailing through the local mine being closed since the explosion might be relieved by certain very necessary repairs to the local roads, which are now nearly impassable, being undertaken forthwith.

The names of the members of the Commission of inquiry into the Bulli disaster are by no means received favourably here. It is alleged that one member belongs to the Southern Associated Collieries, and another was about to inspect the local mine for the proprietors when the explosion occurred, and he remained here throughout the inquest.

CARCOAR, THURSDAY.

Light frosts have set in, the days being exceedingly pleasant and fine about noon.

CROOKWELL, THURSDAY.

The deputation appointed to interview the Minister for Works with regard to the immediate construction of the Goulburn to Crookwell railway has been informed through the members for the district (Messrs. Ball and Holborow) that the Minister will receive them at 11 o'clock on Friday morning, May 6.

DUBBO, THURSDAY.

Tuesday, the 10th May, has been gazetted as a public holiday for Dubbo and district on account of the pastoral show, which is creating a great stir. It is anticipated that the exhibits will be more numerous than ever before. The Holmewood herd alone will make a show in themselves. Excursion rates are proclaimed on railway to and from Dubbo.

All appearance of rain has gone. It is now calm, warm, and bright and clear.

KUSTON, THURSDAY.

Steady rain fell during last night, registering 10 points. Pasture is looking well. The river is rising.

GLEN INNES, THURSDAY.

At a special meeting of the Municipal Council this afternoon, it was decided to ask the Minister to be allowed to engage the local unemployed on the same conditions as those proposed by the Government to the city council and suburban municipalities.

GOODOOGA, THURSDAY.

Fine weather has prevailed during last week. All the rivers are falling fast.

NEWCASTLE, THURSDAY.

At the recent miners' delegate meeting amendments to the agreement were considered, and it was resolved that the general secretary write to Mr. F. W. Binney, secretary of the Newcastle Coal Miners' Mutual Protective Association, stating that the miners' representatives were prepared to meet the masters on the proposed agreement.

The Hamilton committee of the Bulli Relief Fund met last evening. The secretary reported that the canvass by the committee, and the proceeds of a concert, had up to the present realised £46. The committee expect something over £50 when all promises are fulfilled.

It is stated that some 70 miners have been obliged to knock off work at the Wallsend colliery, owing to the recent heavy rains penetrating through various pitfalls into the working places. Every effort is being made by the management of the colliery to cope with the difficulty, and it is expected that the men will be able to resume work shortly.

LAMBTON, THURSDAY.

There is a great disappointment expressed here at Mr. T. Croudace refusing to sit on the Bulli Commission, as he has the confidence of both masters and men.

PARKES, THURSDAY.

To-day large land business was transacted at the local land office. The conditional purchases area was 2560 acres, and the conditional leases area 7680 acres—the total area selected being 10,240 acres. The revenue collected was £320.

The weather is splendid.

WINGHAM, THURSDAY.

Three mails arrived this morning, including Sydney dates to the 21st. There are still three mails short.

The weather is fine and cloudy.

WENTWORTH, THURSDAY.

A well-attended public meeting was held in the Institute last night, the Mayor (Mr. W. G. Price) being in the chair, on the bridge over the Darling here. Resolutions were passed that the thanks of the district are due to Mr. J. P. Abbott for his action in resuscitating the bridge question by calling for all documents concerning the proposed bridge to be laid upon the table of the House. A second resolution was passed,—"That the present is an opportune time for urging for the extension of the railway from Hay here." The chairman was requested to convey to Mr. Abbott the thanks contained in the first resolution.

Light rain fell during the night, and the weather is cold and still showery.

PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

GOODOOGA, THURSDAY.

Stock movements:—20,000 maiden ewes, to Aramac; 9000 wethers (Dumble), to Narrabri; 8000 mixed sheep (Kunopia), to Brenda. Lambing is progressing very well.

THARGOMINDAH (Q.), THURSDAY.

Three hundred fats, from Wombendarry station, passed to-day, Blakinore in charge.

ALBURY, THURSDAY.

The following stock movements are reported:—33 cows and heifers, 4 calves, 3 bulls, from Colac to Berry Jerry, A. Leitch; 190 mixed sheep, from Talmagatta, Victoria, to Albury market, Wm. Palmear; 800 mixed sheep, from Talgarno, Victoria, to Albury market, W. H. Ferguson; 230 merino wethers, from Bonegilla, Victoria, to Albury market, Wm. Pearson; 13,710 merino wethers, from Victoria to Wagga Wagga, G. J. Mulholland; 1900 merino ewes, from Victoria to Wagga Wagga, J. S. Clough; 2600 merino ewes, from Horsham, Victoria, to Yarra Yarra, Jas. M'Laurin; 1200 merino wethers, from the Hume district to Ferndale, Mohonga, Jas. Carter; 700 mixed sheep, from the Corowa district to Albury market, Geo. Leopard; 65 mixed store cattle, from Manus to Hawkesview, Albury, J. W. M'Kellar; 100 fat cattle, from N angus to Melbourne market, F. Jenkins.

CIVIL SERVANTS AS COUNCIL CLERKS, &c.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—A paragraph in yesterday's *Herald* re clerks, &c., again opens up a question that has on different occasions been discussed in your columns, namely, the propriety of allowing Civil servants to fill offices of emolument under municipal councils, &c.; and I confess that my sympathies are all with those who contend that it ought not to be allowed, especially just now, when there is so much distress in the community. It seems to me it cannot be right to allow the servants of the public to come into competition with those who are taxed for the payment of their salaries, in such a way as to deprive deserving men of their means of earning bread for their families; and this is what, in some cases, is being done. I know of at least one family where, through the inability of the father—an educated man—to get anything to do, the children are almost starving, while the council-clerk of the borough in which they reside is a fat and flourishing "pluralist" (if I may borrow a church term for the occasion), having a good Government billet, with a good salary and perquisites; and also filling the positions of clerk, treasurer, and property-valuer to his council; thereby, I understand, increasing his income by between £200 and £300 per annum.

Now, if Civil Servants have to be dismissed—and all parties seem agreed that this has to be done—most people will be inclined to think that those who are drawing fair salaries elsewhere should be the first to be dealt with, giving them an opportunity of deciding as to which of their two masters they will continue to serve, but insisting upon it that they shall be the servants of but one master if they elect to continue servants of the State; and if they do make up their minds still to eat what Sir Henry Parkes calls "the bitter bread of the Government," it will be found that there are a large number of worthy men ready to eat the still bitterer bread of the offices which they vacate, and to possess it very, very sweet indeed. I am, &c.,

A SUBURBAN RATEPAYER.

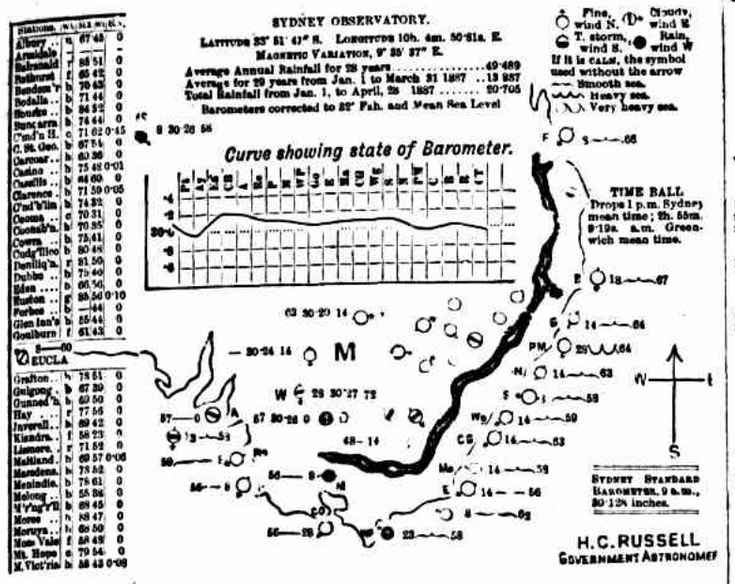
April 21, 1887.

ARRIVAL OF HER MAJESTY'S SHIPS TYNE AND MYRMIDON.

H.M.S. Tyne arrived in port at about 9.30 last night, and anchored below Garden Island for a time, but was afterwards taken from there by Captain Lake, of the flagship Nelson, and moored in Farm Cove. The Tyne is from Plymouth, via the Suez Canal, and has brought reliefs for H.M.S. Nelson and Swinger, besides a number of supernumeraries for the other ships on the station. The voyage was an exceptionally fortunate and enjoyable one so far as weather, &c., was concerned until the vessel reached off Wilson's Promontory, when she came into collision with H.M.S. Myrmidon, under circumstances that will no doubt form the subject of a court martial. The details of the accident are withheld until the court has made inquiry into the matter, but it may be said that it seems a marvel that one or both ships did not go to the bottom. Briefly stated, it appears that the Myrmidon was sounding off Wilson's Promontory on Monday afternoon last, going at about three or four knots, when a ship was sighted on the port bow, and afterwards proved to be H.M.S. Tyne. Both vessels signalled each other, and continued on their courses, which were almost at right angles, until seeing a collision was inevitable their engines were stopped and reversed, but too late to prevent damage. The Tyne struck the Myrmidon almost amidships, and for the moment it seemed as if she were going clean through her. But, strange to say, she only canted her over, having struck her in the strongest part of her hull. This was not very seriously damaged, and the vessel made no water. The bulwarks, however, were carried away, as were also three of the boats; the chart-house was knocked all awry, and the deck started. The impact of the two ships was very great, and as it was thought the Myrmidon would sink, no fewer than 75 of her men and three officers sprang on board the Tyne, clambering over her bows. All got on to the troopship safely but one man, the fingers of whose right hand were so severely jammed that they had to be amputated. He is now doing as well as possible. Every available boat was immediately got out, but on it being ascertained that there was no danger, they were hoisted inboard again. On the Tyne the collision so far as she herself was concerned was at first not considered nearly so serious as it was ascertained to be. Being an iron ship with a bluff bow, it was thought that she would have comparatively little damage done to her; but an examination showed that her contact with the Myrmidon, a wooden ship, had completely torn away her bow plates, and that her fore compartment was full of water. The bulkhead, however, held good, and every precaution being taken, she was enabled to come on safely to Sydney. The order previous and subsequent to the collision were carried out promptly, just as if nothing unusual had happened, showing how excellent the discipline must be, and the commander of the Tyne, Captain Darwall, Mr. Leslie (the first lieutenant), and the officer in charge at the time of the accident, acted as British officers may justly be supposed to act under similar circumstances. The Tyne is now on her first visit to Australian waters. She is described in the navy list as an iron troop and store ship, and was built at Newcastle-on-Tyne in 1878, by Messrs. Hawthorn and Co., who also engined her. She has the appearance of the "ocean tramp" of a more modern date, and this is accounted for by the fact that she was built for the merchant service, but was bought by the Admiralty when on the stocks during the "war scare" of the Russo-Turkish imbroglio. She is very nicely fitted throughout for the conveyance of troops, &c., and has justly earned a reputation for comfort and speed. Her engines, on the compound surface condensing principle, drive her at a speed of between 10 and 11 knots on a very moderate consumption of coal; and the appliances for ventilation, prevention of fire, &c., are of the most complete kind. The following is a complete list of the officers: Commander William E. Darwall, lieutenants, George L. M. Leslie, Joseph E. Gregory, Gerald M. Richardson, William Hewetson; navigating lieutenant, John D. Moulton; paymaster, George Liddell; chief engineer, William A. Harvey; surgeon, Charles Anderson; assistant paymaster, William E. E. Read; assistant engineer, Arthur T. Webb; boatswain, John Tillett, George L. Mills, Thomas Hearne; carpenter, George R. Maben. The following is a list of the officers who have arrived by the Tyne for the different ships on the station:—Nelson: Lieutenant, H. M. Simpson; midshipmen, Cuthbert Clifton, W. H. Grey, H. W. Richmond; naval cadets, H. B. Hygate, G. W. Baird, Sidney R. Drury-Lowe, Richard F. Heath; surgeon, Martin R. Abel; assistant clerks, J. R. Watson and A. E. Hosken; assistant engineer, W. E. Hosken. Undine: Lieutenant-commander, F. R. Pelly. Swinger: Lieutenant-commander, Albert C. Allen; lieutenant, G. W. Cornish; sub-lieutenant, Charles H. Morgan; surgeon, William Spry; paymaster, Lawrence A. Bebb; engineer, N. Green; acting-gunner, W. Martin. Dart: Assistant-paymaster, Malcolm Sullivan; engineer, W. J. Mabb. Harrier: Boatswain, John Motyer. There are 94 seamen for the Nelson

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS AND MAP FOR APRIL 28, 1887.

Stations.		Rain.	Max.
Albury ..	q	67 48	0
Armidale ..	r		-
Balmain ..	f	86 51	0
Bathurst ..	f	65 42	0
Bendem'r ..	b	70 43	0
Bodalla ..	b	71 44	0
Bourke ..	b	94 52	0
Byng arra ..	b	74 44	0
C'md'n H.	c	71 62	0·45
C. Pk. Geo.	b	67 54	0
Carcoar ..	b	60 36	0
Casino ..	b	75 48	0·01
Cassilis ..	b	64 39	0
Clarence ..	b	71 39	0·05
C'nd'ltine	b	74 32	0
Cooma ..	c	70 31	0
Coonab'n.	b	70 35	0
Cowra ..	b	75 41	0
Cudg'lleo	b	80 48	0
Deniliq'n.	r	91 50	0
Dubbo ..	b	79 40	0
Eden ..	b	66 56	0
Euston ..	g	85 50	0·10
Forbes ..	b	—44	0
Glen Ian's	b	65 44	0
Goulburn	f	61 43	0
Grafton ..	b	78 51	0
Gulgong ..	b	67 39	0
Gunned'h.	b	69 50	0
Hay ..	r	77 55	0
Inverell ..	b	89 42	0
Kiandra ..	f	58 23	0
Lismore ..	r	71 59	0
Maitland ..	b	69 57	0·06
Mandagai	b	78 52	0
Merimbla.	b	78 61	0
Molong ..	b	58 36	0
M'r'ng'll	b	68 45	0
Moree ..	b	88 47	0
Moruya ..	b	68 59	0
Mons Vale	f	58 48	0
Mt. Hope	c	79 54	0
M. Vict'ria	b	58 43	0·08
Nudgee ..	h	78 39	0
N r'nb'k	f	69 43	0
Myr'l'mil	c	69 56	0
Mur'ther's	g	71 52	0·02
Narrabri	b	75 50	0
Newcastle	b	72 58	0·34
Orange ..	b	65 41	0
Oxley ..	b	63 45	0·01
P. M'd'ne	b	72 57	0·31
P. Stph'n's	f	69 54	0·51
Ryebryan	f	60 46	0
Scarinbl	b	78 49	0
Singleton	b	68 55	0·11
Sussex ..	b	64 55	0·06
Tamw'th	b	71 39	0
Taralga ..	b	65 44	0
Taree ..	b	72 59	0·36
Tent'field	b	65 38	0
Wagga ..	c	72 40	0
Wakiu ..	c	61 45	0
Walgett ..	b	76 48	0
Warrah ..	b	69 —	0
Wat'w'rth	g	78 58	0·11
Wellng'n	b	66 54	0·03
Young ..	b	77 41	0



NOTES EXPLANATORY OF MAP.

In the list of stations the column headed W.T. gives the state of the weather at 9 a.m., b standing for blue sky; c, detached clouds; d, drizzling rain; f, fog; g, gloomy; h, hazy; m, misty; n, frosty; o, overcast; p, passing showers; r, rain; s, snow; t, thunder; u, threatening. The next column, Max. gives the maximum temperature for previous 24 hours. Min the corresponding minimum temperature; Rain, the rain for the previous 24 hours. The symbols used in the map are explained on the margin. At each coast station the wind symbol is placed like a vane pointing in the direction from which the wind is coming. A clear circle with it means fine weather; a circle with bar, cloudy weather; and a black spot, raining. Next to this symbol are placed figures denoting the number of miles the wind is moving per hour; next, a symbol showing the state of the sea; and, lastly, figures denoting the shade temperature at 9 a.m. The barometer curve shows the state of barometers round the coast from Perth to Cooktown:—Pt. Perth; Ad. Adelaide; Eu. Eucla; C. Capes Borda; A. Adelaide; Ro. Robe; P. Portland; M. Melbourne; W P. Wilson's Promontory; Go. Gabo; E. Eden; Ma. Moruya; C G Jarvis Bay; Wg. Wollongong; S. Sydney; N. Newcastle; P M. Port Macquarie; C. Clarence River; B. Brisbane; R. Rockhampton; Ct. Cooktown. Inland the state of barometer is given in figures at Albury, Deniliquin, Wentworth, Menindie, Bourke, and Alice Springs. The barometer curve enables one at a glance to trace the depressions, beginning with Western Australia, and passing along eastwards; northerly winds preceding them, and southerly following.

9 A.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Western Australia.—Generally more or less cloudy and unsettled, with easterly winds along the west coast, and N. to N.W. in south parts; fallen barometers and smooth sea. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Esperance Bay, 30·12 and 49°; Carnarvon, 29·92 and 74°.

South Australia.—Generally overcast and gloomy on and near the coast north of Port Pirie; light southerly winds and calms, often barometers and moderate sea. Light rains have fallen south of Port Augusta; greatest in S.E. parts; Naracoorte 0·51, Morphetville 0·50, Port Darwin 0·50, Robe 0·23, Port Augusta and Adelaide 0·21 inch. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Alice Springs 30·26, Port Darwin 29·85 and 81°, M'Donnell Bay 54°.

Victoria.—Fine but unsettled in west; cloudy, with light rain falling in east parts; light to fresh westerly winds, fallen barometers, and moderate sea. Rainfall: Melbourne, 0·20; Cape Schanck, 0·16; Portland and Hamilton, 0·13 inches. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Ballarat, 30·23 and 51°; Lakes Entrance, 30·04; and Horsham, 65°.

Tasmania.—Generally cloudy and unsettled, with light northerly winds, fallen barometers, and moderate sea. Raining at Southport, and 0·18 inch fallen. 0·20 at Circular Heads, and 0·07 at Low Head. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Circular Head, 30·14 and 50°; Hobart, 30·01; and Falmouth 55°.

New South Wales.—Fine in north, cloudy and unsettled in S.E., and raining in S.W. parts; foggy on the ranges in south; light south to west winds; fallen barometers, and the sea moderate, but heavy at Port Macquarie. Light rain has fallen in central coast districts, heaviest (0.31 inch) at Port Stephens. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Wentworth, 30·27 and 72°; Port Macquarie, 30·02; and Cooma, 33°. For further particulars see map.

Queensland.—Generally fine and cool, with light to fresh S.E. to S. winds, fallen barometers, and the sea moderate, but rough at Cooktown. Rainfall: Cooktown, 0·13; and Brisbane, 0·05 inch. Extremes of barometers and temperature: Roma, 30·07 and 60°; Normanton, 29·97; and Cooktown, 63°.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Victoria.—Portland, S., 18, fine but cloudy, smooth sea, temperature 61°; Cape Otway, S.W., 28, fine, smooth sea, temperature 59°; Melbourne, S., 13, overcast and threatening, temperature 60°; Cape Schanck, S.S.W., 13, fine but cloudy, smooth sea, temperature 63°; Wilson's Promontory, W.N.W., 23, showery and squally, rough sea, temperature 53°; Lakes Entrance, W., 16, overcast and threatening, temperature 66°.

New South Wales.—Menindie, S.E., 14, showery, temperature 68°; Wentworth, S., 14, fine and warm, temperature 82°; Deniliquin, N.W., 14, raining, temperature 66°; Eden, E.N.E., 14, fine, smooth sea, temperature 66°; Moruya, N.E., 14, fine, rising sea, temperature 67°; Cape St. George, S.E., 14, fine, moderate sea, temperature 69°; Sydney, S., 12, fine, moderate sea, temperature 67°; Newcastle, S.S.E., 42, raining, moderate sea, temperature 64°; Port Macquarie, S., 42, fine, rough sea, temperature 72°; Clarence River, S., 42, fine, moderate sea, temperature 77°; Walgett, S.S.E., 14, fine, temperature 75°; Dubbo, calm, fine, temperature 67°; Goulburn, W., 14, fine, temperature 62°.

Queensland.—Normanton, S.E., 8, fine and clear, temperature 85°; Hughenden, N.E., finer and warm; Roma, S., 14, fine, temperature 75°; Bribie, S.E., 14, fine but cloudy, temperature 75°.

HEIGHT OF SITES ABOVE SUMMER LEVEL.

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TO LET, a furnished COTTAGE, Blackheath. Apply Mrs. Cripps, Blackheath.

TO LET, well-furnished HOUSE at Goulburn, 8 rooms, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, s. room. C. Rogers, Goulburn.

TO LET, 29, Upper William-street South, large and convenient. Apply Allan and Co., Macquarie-place.

TO LET, 171, Kent-street, STORE, with large cellar and stables; rent low. Apply upstairs.

TO LET, 49, Clarence-street, 5 rooms; rent, 26s. M'Iver, 98, Clarence-street.

TO LET, No. 83, Parramatta-street, SHOP, containing 7 rooms, bath, sheds. Apply Ellis and Co., 791, George-st.

TO LET, 4-roomed COTTAGE, Woollahra, large yard, suit cabman. Between 10 and 4, 90, John-street, Woollahra.

TO LET, large ROOM, suitable lodge, club, or billiard room. Britannia Hotel, Oxford-street, Paddington.

TO LET, 4, Myrtle-terrace, Scale-st., near Hyde Park, 4 rooms, kitchen, balcony, copper. Apply on premises.

TO LET, Cambridge-st., Balmain, Brick COTTAGES, 3 rooms, kitchen, copper, rent 9s. Apply Codlin, corner.

TO LET, new HOUSE, 6 rooms, gas, Forbes-st., rent 22s 6d. Apply L. Wood, 69, Dowling-st., Woolloomooloo.

TO LET, COTTAGE, coachhouse, and stable, rent 13s, at Double Bay. Apply F. Bowes, Darling Point.

TO LET, a BAKEHOUSE, splendid oven, suitable for baker or confectioner. 73, William-street, Woolloomooloo.

TO LET, 2-roomed COTTAGE, yard, water laid on. Apply M. Sullivan, Cumberland-street.

TO LET, a 6-roomed HOUSE. Apply John Chard, Australia Cottage, Baltic-street, North Kingsto.

TO LET, a HOUSE, 46, Rose-street, Darlington, 5 rooms, kitchen. Apply 40, Rose-street.

TO LET, HOUSE, 4 rooms; rent 16s. Gipps-street, near Crown-street, Surry Hills.

TO LET, HOUSE, 4 rooms and kitchen, Bullanaming-street, Redfern; rent 13s. Dunn and Webb, 280, Pitt-st.

TO LET, 7-roomed HOUSE, £1 6s, opposite Harris' Park. Apply 606, Harris-street, Ultimo.

TO LET, SHOP, to suit barber, fitted up to suit same, £1. Apply Cook, builder, Harris-street.

TO LET, new COTTAGE, 3 rooms, hall, kitchen, washhouse, 3 min. station. Sharkey, Parramatta-rd., Petersham.

TO LET, a small HOUSE, in good position, 6 rooms. 243, Forbes-street, Darlinghurst.

TO LET, COTTAGE, 12s; also HOUSE, 5 rooms, 12s. Apply 443, Elizabeth-street.

TO LET, 6-roomed HOUSE, gas, copper, troughs, bath, every convenience. Apply 19, Wilson-st., Newtown.

TO LET, on Monday, HOUSE, 2 nice rooms, and kitchen; 10s: carpenter or bricklayer would be useful on the property. 590, Dowling-street, Moore Park.

TO ASSURANCE COMPANIES and Others.—To be LET, the OFFICE adjoining the Royal Hotel, George-street, now occupied by the Mutual Assurance Society of Victoria; low rental. Offord and Co., hatters, 424, George-street.

TO LET, large and commodious OFFICES, opposite Post Office, and next to Dalgety and Co.'s.
W. A. SPARKE,
Newcastle.

TO LET, on Liverpool-road, Ashfield, small COTTAGE, with 3 acres of land, securely fenced, plenty water, suitable for market garden or poultry farm, low rent, long lease. John Mooney, Liverpool-road, Croydon.

TO LET, "Rugby," Telopia-street, House, 9 rooms, every convenience, marble mantels, tile hearths, and verandah, bells throughout, large yard, back entrance, 1 minute from Crown-st. tram ter., 30s. Suttop, grocer, Bourke-st., Redfern.

TO LET or for SALE, gentleman's RESIDENCE, 8 rooms, kitchen, bath, gas and water laid on, every convenience, 7 minutes from Petersham station. Apply D. B. Harrison, Norton-street, Leichhardt.

TO LET, furnished, at an early date, Gentleman's Family RESIDENCE, water frontage; Calmville, White Horse Point, Balmain. Apply on the Premises; or at Carter's Hotel, George and Park streets, Sydney.

TO LET, a large BOARDING-HOUSE, containing 17 rooms, in Hunter-street.
Apply M. O'NEILL, Assembly Hotel, Hunter-street.

TO LET, Missenden-road, Camperdown, a comfortable COTTAGE, 6 rooms, hall, kitchen, gas, and water, &c.; large yard. Apply Redfernville (next door), or Tillock and Co., 787, George-street, Haymarket.

TO SOLICITORS, PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTISTS, DENTISTS, IMPORTERS' AGENTS and OTHERS.
Well-lit and Spacious ROOMS to be LET, 286, George-street, near Hunter-street; rent moderate. Apply
W. W. BILLYARD,
94, Castlereagh-street.

TO LET, NARANI HOUSE, Redfern-street, Redfern, containing 12 rooms, detached kitchen, bathroom, coachhouse and stables; rent, £160 per annum. George Hudson, Clyde House, George-street, Redfern.

TO LET.
SHOP, good position for boot and shoe business, 30, Ultimo-street, Glebe. Rent, 15s.

TO LET, lofty and well-ventilated SUITES of OFFICES and SAMPLE ROOMS, with windows at front. Apply
Messrs. HARRIS and ACKMAN, 109, Pitt-street.

TO LET, or for SALE, Stone HOUSE at Burwood five minutes from station, nine rooms, kitchen, servant's room, bathroom, stables, gas, and water; land, 160 x 110. Further particulars or cards to view, apply J. H. DECENT, Daily Telegraph Office, King-street.

THE UNDERSIGNED are desirous of Sub-letting their STORE, consisting of two flats and office, for a term of 12 months, or perhaps longer. The rent, originally £354, will be reduced to £200 per annum; and all the fittings will be left for tenant's use.
HIRSCH and KAEPPEL,
85, Clarence-street.

THE NORTH SHORE RAILWAY.
THE QUEEN'S PARK.
This Estate, only 2 minutes' walk from St. Leonards terminus. Auction TO-MORROW, Saturday, on the ground.
G. T. CLARKE and CO., Local Auctioneers.

TO CORDIAL MANUFACTURERS, PRODUCE MERCHANTS, BAKERS, and Others.
To LET, in commanding position, a large SHOP, suitable for above. Apply
BOYD and KING, Auctioneers,
98, Pitt-street.

TO LET (established 27 years, with success), the Grocery BUSINESS, &c., carried on by Birch and Sons, Newtown-road, Darlington; lease. Full particulars, &c., E. T. B.

TO LET, Furnished, for 6 or 12 months, WYMSTON, Chiswick Wharf, Parramatta River, containing 9 rooms, 3 servants' bedrooms, bathroom (hot and cold water), pantry, larder, kitchen, laundry, and dairy, gas throughout, boathshed, use of boat, bathing-house, flower, fruit, and vegetable garden, poultry, stables, linen, plate, and glass, &c.
Particulars at Messrs. HARDIE and GORMAN'S, House Agents, 133, Pitt-street.

TO LET, air

Auction Sales.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

THIS DAY, at the CITY HORSE BAZAAR.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from the various owners to sell by auction, at their City Horse Bazaar, Castlereagh-street, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., Saddle and harness HORSES and GELDINGS, thoroughly broken and subject to trial
Heavy draught HORSES and GELDINGS, Morehead-street trials
Active van and young cart HORSES, subject to trials.

N.B.—HORSES also for PRIVATE SALE, subject to trial.

CORPORATION YARDS.

BROWN BROS. and CO. will sell by auction, at the Corporation Yards, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
100 prime lambs, from Liverpool Plains, ex steamer.

CORPORATION YARDS.

BROWN BROS. and CO. will sell by auction, at the Corporation Yards, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
100 prime fat lambs
Prime fat calves
Prime fat pigs.

By the INSOLVENT ESTATE of ROBERT JOHN KINBER, of Forest Lodge.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from the Official Assignee to sell by auction, at the City Horse Bazaar,

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 11.30 a.m.,

1 tipdray
1 standing dray
1 buggy
2 horses
2 sets harness
And sundries.

WITHOUT RESERVE.

A LIGHT HIGHLY-FINISHED GIG (NEW).

BROWN BROS. and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, 11.30 a.m.,

A light gig, perfectly new, suitable for commercial traveller.

SINGLE-SEATED BUGGY.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

A single-seated buggy, in good order, and built expressly for the country.

FRESH COUNTRY HORSES FROM THE HUNTER.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from T. Turner, Esq., Hunter River, to sell by auction, at their City Horse Bazaar, Castlereagh-street, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,

4 FIRST-CLASS SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSES, WELL-BRED AND THOROUGHLY BROKEN.

MILCH COWS.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions to sell by auction, at their City Horse Bazaar, THIS DAY, at noon,

3 first-class quiet milch cows, accustomed to hand-feeding.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

WEDNESDAY, 4th MAY.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from D. J. Emery, Esq., of Tumut, to sell by auction, at Camperdown Yards, WEDNESDAY, 4th MAY, 2.30 p.m.,

15 head active DRAUGHT COLTS and FILLIES.

Also, on account—
Messrs. Lindeman Brothers, Hunter River,
20 head HEAVY and ACTIVE DRAUGHT COLTS and FILLIES, saddle and light harness horses.

SALE OF HORSES, VEHICLES, HARNESS, AND PONIES,
at
FENNELLY'S BAZAAR,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock.

W. GARLING has been instructed to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 o'clock,

On account of Mr. WALTER LAMB,
His well-known pair of carriage horses, NINETY and STATESMAN, bright bays, with black points, 16 hands, broken to single and double harness and saddle accustomed to town driving and trams.

ALBURY (bay), over 16 hands, a beautiful horse for brougham or sociable, being quiet, with good style.

Four-in-hand drag, by Vial and Son, with bars, &c., complete
Landau } English built, and set of double harness,
Light Victoria } brass mounted.

The above are to be sold in consequence of Mr. Lamb's departure for England.

On account of J. C. WHITE, Edinglassie.
A pair of bay carriage horses, standing over 16 hands
Bay gelding, 4 years, broken to saddle and harness
Brown gelding, broken to harness
Black gelding, a very good stepper, broken to saddle and harness.

On account of Mr. RUSSELL BARTON.
English-built mail coach
Four-in-hand dogcart
A pair chestnut geldings, broken to single and double harness and saddle.

On account of Mr. ADAMS.
Black gelding, broken to saddle and harness, and carries a lady
Bay pony, quiet, and accustomed to children; late the property of Dr. Moore-White.

On account of Mr. H. V. PROCTOR.
Brown mare, 5 years, 15.1, by Oberon from a thoroughbred mare. A good hack, and really good in single and double harness, and a fast trotter.

On account of Dr. EVANS.
His well-known dogcart horses, both broken to single and double harness, and accustomed to town driving.

On account of Mr. J. BROWNLOW.
Black pony, 14 hands, village cart and a set of harness.

On account of Owners.
A dark brown gelding, broken to saddle and harness, and very stylish.
QUICKSTEP, the well-known fast buggy horse, broken to saddle and harness, and stands trams.
Brown mare, set brass-mounted harness, and light Victoria
Needell Stanhope phaeton, by Mullins, of Leamington, and a set of brass-mounted harness.

ROSEHILL RACING CLUB.

W. GARLING has been instructed by the Secretary of the Rosehill Racing Club to sell by auction, at his Bazaar (late Fennelly's), on TUESDAY next, 3rd May, at 12 o'clock,

The right to entrance gates, booths, cake and fruit stalls, and hill reserve for the above meeting, to be run on Saturday, 7th May next.

T. COSGROVE will sell at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,

15 head of useful horses, the property of several owners, broken to saddle and harness
2 new springcarts, 1 waggon.

To Dealers and Others.

O'BRIEN BROS. will sell by auction, at their new Stock Sale Yards, Elswick and Marion streets, Leichhardt, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 3.30 p.m., A quantity of good work-ing horses, vehicles, harness, and saddles. Office, 95, Eliz.-st, Syd.

F. L. PARKER will sell by auction, at his Stores, at 2.30, Hides; and at 2.30, tallow.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, Friday, the 29th instant, at 2.30 o'clock,

Hides, calfskins, &c.

And at 2.30 o'clock,

Oaks tallow.

Terms, cash.

OATS. MAIZE. OATS.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited, will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, Friday, the 29th instant, at 11.30 o'clock sharp, at the Clarence and Richmond River Company's Wharf, foot of Sussex-street,

Bags prime maize
Ditto ditto N. Z. oats.

In lots to suit purchasers.

Terms, cash.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

HILL, CLARK, and CO. will sell by auction, at their Produce Stores, Circular Quay, THIS DAY, Friday,

at half-past 9 o'clock sharp,

Hides, yearlings, &c.

At half-past 2 o'clock,

Oaks tallow.

JOHN BRIDGE will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Corporation Yards, at 11 o'clock, Pigs and calves.

JOHN BRIDGE will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Circular Quay, at 2.30, Hides; and 2.30, tallow.

MORT and CO., Limited, will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at their Produce Stores, Circular Quay,

at 2.30,

Hides, yearlings, &c.
Bags bark
GLUE PIECES;

at 2.30,

Tallow.

ON SATURDAY, at 2.30 a.m.,

Horns, hoofs, hair, and beeswax.

PRODUCE SALE at Darling Harbour.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction at Darling Harbour Railway Station, THIS DAY, at half-past 9 o'clock SHARP,

Hay, straw, chaff, wheat, maize, pumpkins, &c.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Yards, 109, George-street South, THIS DAY, at 1 o'clock,

Fat calves, lambs, pigs, suckers, and carcase pork.

At half-past 1 o'clock,

Roll and bag butter, cheese, bacon, eggs, honey, lard, fruit, &c.

At quarter-past 2 o'clock,

A large quantity of poultry, including ducks, geese, turkeys, fowls, pigeons, birds, &c.

At 4 o'clock,

Hides, tallow, wool, sheepskins, &c.

WESTBOURNE PARK ESTATE, Kogarah, Carlton, handy to the station, pretty views, cheap land. Send for free tickets and lithographs. Sale Next SATURDAY, 30th instant. HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

IN our window to-day, New Pattern Tea Services, 45 pieces, for 10s 6d, 12s 6d, 14s 6d, &c. Campbell Brothers.

THE SALE of Cooper's Paddock, at Strathfield, is POSTPONED to a future date. Richardson and Wrench.

GEORGE WELLS will sell by auction, at Darling Harbour Railway Station, EVERY DAY, 9 o'clock,
Wood, posts, rails, &c.
Half-past 9 o'clock,
Hay, straw, chaff, and all kinds of farm produce.

GEORGE WELLS will sell by auction, at the HUNTER RIVER STEAM COMPANY'S WHARF, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
Lucerne hay, oaten hay, and maize.

PIGS, CALVES, LAMBS, COWS, &c.

Corporation Yards.

GEORGE WELLS will sell by auction, at the Corporation Yards, Market Wharf, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
Pigs, calves, lambs, cows, &c.

FAT CATTLE. FAT CATTLE. FAT CATTLE.

THIS DAY, 11 o'clock.

CORPORATION YARDS, MARKET WHARF.

GEORGE WELLS will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at Corporation Yards, Market Wharf,
16 head prime fat cattle.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, THIS DAY, Friday,
at their Saleyards, 827, George-street,
at 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, pigs, lambs, suckers
150 coops poultry of all kinds.

At 2 o'clock sharp,
The usual weekly supply of dairy produce, comprising roll butter, keg butter, and cheese from the best dairies in the Southern districts, superior corn-fed bacon, 100 cases fresh eggs, lard, honey, &c., &c.

WEEKLY DEAD PORK SALE.

INGLIS'S STOCK SALE YARDS, 827, GEORGE-STREET.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Stock Sale Yards, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
120 first-class dead pigs, corn-fed, per rail.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at Newtown Station,
At 7 o'clock, Firewood.
At Darling Harbour Terminus, at 8 o'clock, Firewood.
At 9 o'clock, Hay, maize, wheat, potatoes, &c.
At his Mart, 741, George-street, at 12 o'clock, Calves, suckers, porkers, carcase pork, 140 coops turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls; roll and keg butter, hams, bacon, cheese, 100 cases new laid duck and hen eggs, 80 cases assorted fruits, honey, hides, wax, horsehair, and sundries.

HAY, CHAFF, BRAN, STRAW, &c.

At DARLING HARBOUR RAILWAY STATION, THIS DAY, at 9.30 a.m.

TATE BROS.' AGENCY and TRADING COMPANY, Limited, will sell by auction, as above.

COLONIAL WINE.

AUCTION SALE, THIS DAY,
at 12 o'clock.

TATE BROS.' A. and T. CO., Limited, will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 136, Sussex-street,
15 quarter-casks red and white wine, the production of the best vineyards in the Port Macquarie and Manning River districts.

AUCTION SALE OF PRODUCE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 12 o'clock.

TATE BROS.' AGENCY and TRADING COMPANY, Limited, will sell at their Rooms, 136, Sussex-street, Maize, oats, chaff, bran, pollard, potatoes, butter, cheese, &c.; and an assortment of poultry by rail.

THE SOUTH COAST and WEST CAMDEN CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, Limited, will sell by public auction, at their Sale Rooms, Sussex and Liverpool streets,
THIS DAY, Friday, at 10 a.m.,
BUTTER—Prime Factory-made
CHOICE BRANDS from principal South Coast dairies
PASTRY, in lots to suit purchasers.
Also, for private sale—
Bacon, Cheese, Eggs, Poultry, Grain, &c.
Large stocks of every description of Produce always on hand.

THE SOUTH COAST and WEST CAMDEN CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY
will sell by auction
at the
Corporation Saleyards,
THIS DAY,
at 11 a.m.,
Pigs and calves,
In lots to suit purchasers.

TO CLERGYMEN,
Divinity Students, Professional Men, and Book Collectors.

EXTENSIVE and HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE
of
THREE LIBRARIES OF STANDARD WORKS,
including
that of the late Rev. J. Walkden Brown.

KELLETT and ALFORD will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 14, Barrack-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 sharp,
About 500 volumes of VALUABLE BOOKS—
Theological, philosophical, poetical
Educational, biographical, and historical,
selected with great care and at considerable cost,
including standard authors, as
Ruskin, Tindale, Ueberweg, Paxton Hood, Max Muller, Kingsley, Wilberforce, Leighton, Luther, Sibbs, Bishop Hall, Beaumont, Spurgeon, Wesley, Fletcher, Rutherford, Parker, Farrar, Cummings, Jackson, Jeremy Taylor, Farley, Erskine, Watson, Campbell, Boreher, Trench, Barnes, and numberless others.

THIS DAY, 29th instant, at 11 a.m.

At 110, DERWENT-STREET, FOREST LODGE,

SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE
VELVET PILE CARPET, Canterbury
Choice Ornaments, Vases
OIL PAINTINGS, BRONZES
Tables, Chairs, Couches
PLATE-GLASS SIDEBOARD
Chests Drawers, Bedsteads and Bedding
Kitchen utensils
Sundries, &c.

WM. CRANE, Jun., has received instructions to sell by auction, on the premises, 110, Derwent-street, Forest Lodge.

The above. TERMS, CASH.

To Dealers, Brokers, and others.

THIS DAY, at 3 o'clock, at Belle Vista, Railway-street, Petersham, close to Railway.

Chests Drawers, Cedar Office Table, Bookcase, Cedar Chairs, Tables, Bedsteads, Sofas, Crockery, Kitchen Requisites, and Lot Sundry Goods.

GEO. P. BAINES has been instructed to sell to highest bidder, without slightest reserve whatever. Terms, cash.

SATURDAY, April 30, at 3 o'clock.

W. F. SKELTON has received instructions from the Union Insurance Company to sell by public auction, without reserve
The contents of a 5-roomed house, one door below Cohen's Hotel, in Mullins-street, Balmain, consisting of horse-hair couch, chest drawers, sideboard, writing-desk, oval tables Austrian chairs, cilcloth, fender and irons, bedsteads and bedding, washstand, table, and toilet glass, marble clock, pictures, musical box, crockery, kitchen utensils, &c.
W. F. SKELTON, Auctioneer, Beattie-street, Balmain.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.

To GROCERS and OTHERS,
On the Premises adjoining Newtown Theatre,
King-street, Newtown.

J. WARDEN and CO. will sell the balance of the above stock without the slightest reserve.
Also, the carts and harness.
Terms, cash.
J. WARDEN and CO.,
Auctioneers, 93, Elizabeth-street.

MONDAY, MAY 2, at 11 o'clock.
At 636, Crown-street, near Tram Terminus.

DRAWING, DINING, and BED ROOM FURNITURE.
KITCHEN REQUISITES, GLASS, CHINA, &c.
To Gentlemen Furnishing, Dealers, &c.

R. J. HUGHES and SON have been instructed to sell by auction, on the premises, owing to ill health in the family,

The above, without reserve.
Office—Equitable-chambers, corner of Pitt and Park streets.

TO-MORROW, at 5.
At the NEWTOWN MARKETS, NEWTOWN.
All descriptions of FURNITURE for AUCTION SALE.
Cartage free after the sale.
Bedsteads, Bedding, Drawers, Safes, Tables
Chairs, Couches, 2 Pianos, one metal back
Three Suites (one in rep.), Crockery, &c., &c.

EDWARD FRENCH will sell, at 3, on Saturday.
Cartage free after the sale.
Notice.—Outdoor sales entrusted to E. French will be done well. Cash paid to owner same day.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.

No. 3, Rowena-place, off Brougham-street, near Butler's Steps.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions to sell by public auction, on the Premises, No. 3, Rowena-place, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
Cretonne suite, 9 pieces
Sideboard, Austrian furniture
Pier-glasses, carpets, whatnots
Ornaments, pictures, instrus, cutlery
Single and double bedsteads and bedding
Kitchen utensils
Sundries, &c., &c., &c.
NO RESERVE.
HYAM HAINS, Auctioneer, Bennett-chambers, Market-street, next Evening News Office.

THIS DAY, APRIL 29, at 11 o'clock,
AT NORTH SHORE.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
Contents of a five-roomed Cottage.

G. T. CLARKE and CO. have received instructions to sell as above, on the Premises, Semapoor, Alfred-street, opposite Dind's Hotel.

NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 o'clock.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—consisting of Tables, Chairs, Couches, Safes, Chest of Drawers, Bedsteads and Bedding, Crockery, and Sundries
FANCY GOODS and Clocks
Avery's Weighing Machine, Iron Safes
GLASS CASES and Shelving
Set full-sized Skittles and Balls

DUNN and WEBB will sell by auction, at their Rooms, 280, Pitt-street, the above.

Auction Sale To-morrow, at 2 o'clock, at Owens' Cottage, Surry-street, Marrickville. Unreserved Sale of Household Furniture and Effects.

WALTER US BROWN and CO. will sell by auction as above. No reserve.

GOOD strong serviceable Cane Seat Chairs, for 2s 9d, at the Royal Furnishing Arcade. To-day. Campbell Brothers.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 29th instant,
at 11 o'clock sharp.

To FANCY GOODS WAREHOUSEMEN, MUSICAL INSTRUMENT BUYERS, DEALERS, &c.

Entirely Unreserved Sale
of
FANCY GLASS and CHINA WARE
VASES, ALBUMS
PURSES, POCKETBOOKS
CUTLERY, SPOONS and FORKS
MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, LAMPS
GENERAL FANCY GOODS, &c.

Just Landed ex Rakeburg.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been instructed by the Shippers to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 128, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 29th instant, at 11 o'clock sharp,
An extensive consignment, comprising—
The above goods, just landed, ex steamer Rakeburg,
also,
1 CASE AMBER GOODS.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

TERMS AT SALE.

THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, 29th instant,
at 2.30 sharp.

TO PIANO WAREHOUSEMEN, HEADS OF FAMILIES, MUSIC TEACHERS, &c.

EXTENSIVE UNRESERVED SALE
of
BLACK AND GOLD and WALNUT PIANOS,
by
SIMON
CARL HOFF
STRAUSS,
KRAUSS,
&c.

Also,
A number of
SECOND-HAND PIANOS
AMERICAN ORGANS,
&c., &c.

WITHOUT RESERVE.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been instructed to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 128, Pitt-street, THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 sharp,
A number of the above instruments.

TERMS AT SALE.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To FANCY GOODS WAREHOUSEMEN, PRIVATE GENTLEMEN, FANCY CHINAWARE BUYERS, &c.

On MONDAY NEXT, 2nd MAY,
at 11 o'clock sharp.

IMPORTANT and ENTIRELY UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE
of
MAGNIFICENT GENUINE DRESDEN WARE,
in
CROWN, CROSSED SWORDS, and BEEHIVE BRANDS,
consisting of
HAND-PAINTED VASES, after celebrated artists
VERY CHOICE SUGAR and PRESERVE BOXES
CUPS and SAUCERS, ASH and CARD TRAYS
FIGURES, GROUPS, VASES, WATER BOTTLES
HANDSOME DESSERT SERVICES, 18 pieces.

Also,
VERY CHOICE VASES and LUSTRES, new shapes
FANCY GLASSWARE, TOILETWARE, &c.
LADIES' WRITING DESKS, WORKBOXES, &c.
PORCELAIN and METAL WREATHS
CROSSES, EMBLEMS, &c.
Suitable for Florists, Undertakers, &c.

All Open and Displayed for Sale.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been instructed by those concerned to sell by auction, at their Rooms, 128, Pitt-street, on MONDAY NEXT, 2nd May, at 11 o'clock sharp,
The best and most genuine collection ever offered at auction.

ON VIEW TO-MORROW and DAY of SALE.

NO RESERVE.
TERMS CASH.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

To WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS, WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS, GROCERS, PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS, BROKERS, &c.

On MONDAY AFTERNOON next, 2nd May,
at 3 o'clock sharp.

An Entirely Unreserved Sale.

On account of whom it may concern.

of
50 CASKS ALCOHOL, each 37 to 39 gal., 66 o.p.
5 CASKS GIN
70 QUARTER-CASKS WHISKY
12 Ditto PALE BRANDY
6 CASES BLACKBERRY BRANDY
2 Ditto DR. DE MORT'S STOMACH BITTERS
5 Ditto LIQUID BLUE
36 PACKAGES PILLS, FLUID EXTRACTS, &c.,
from the celebrated American manufacturers
WM. R. WARNER and CO., Phil.

To be sold in Bond.

Rent and Charges paid up to day of sale.

Samples of Spirits may be seen at the Rooms
on
SATURDAY and Day of Sale.

CHAS. MOORE and CO. have been instructed to sell on account of whom it may concern, by public auction, at their Rooms, 128, Pitt-street, on MONDAY AFTERNOON next, 2nd May, at 3 o'clock sharp,

The above.

NO RESERVE.

Terms—cash on the fall on the hammer.

ASHFIELD.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 29th.

To Private Buyers, Parties Furnishing, Furniture Brokers, and others.

ATTRACTIVE UNRESERVED SALE
BY AUCTION
of
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

At the Residence of Mrs. Buchan Thomson, Chandos and Elizabeth streets, Ashfield.
Comprising—
Elegant DRAWING-ROOM FURNISHINGS
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
Bedroom FURNISHINGS
OIL PAINTINGS, Engravings
SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATE
Superior HARMONIUM
Elegant ART CHINA ORNAMENTS
CROCKERY, GLASSWARE
DINNER and BREAKFAST SERVICES
CUTLERY, CARPETS
KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS,
&c., &c.

MILLS and PILE have received instructions from Mrs. Buchan Thomson to sell by auction, at her residence, Chandos and Elizabeth streets, Ashfield, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, April 29th, at 11 o'clock,
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

TERMS, CASH.
NO RESERVE.

TO-DAY, Friday, at 11 a.m.

To Lovers of the Fine Arts, Picture Dealers, &c.

WATERCOLOURS, OIL PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS, &c., copies of favourite subjects, by famous artists.
Also,
Columbus Discovering America, by Paganini, A.D. 1760, a valuable old picture in oils.
Also,
Vases, Fancy Goods, &c.

REYNOLDS BROS. and CO., 74, Pitt-street, will sell WITHOUT ANY RESERVE TO-DAY, at 11 a.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 5th,
at the CITY MART,
at 11 o'clock.

Government STEAM LAUNCH,
SEA BREEZE.

By order of the Hon. Colonial Treasurer.

Sea Breeze was built in 1875, engined by Plenty and Sons, is in excellent repair, has just been overhauled by Government surveyors, and may be inspected in dock at Goat Island powder magazine.
She is being sold by the Department only in consequence of being too small for requirements of powder service.

FRASER and CO. have been instructed by the Hon. Colonial Treasurer to sell by auction, as above,
The steam launch Sea Breeze, in going order.
Particulars on application.

IN THE INSOLVENCIES OF H. C. CATO, JOHN SCARBOROUGH, H. PERIN, and Others.

A. VIDER has received instructions from the official assignee to sell by auction, at his Rooms, 22, Erskine-street, THIS DAY, 29th April, at 11 a.m. prompt,
Cottage Piano, office desk, table, signboard, and weighing-machine; hat-maker's tools, consisting of blocks and smoothing-irons, large show-case, fit for confectioner's wedding cakes; blacksmith's bellows, anvils, tools, bars of iron and steel, &c. Terms, cash. Sale at 11 a.m.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 11 o'clock.

Single Stone, Half Hoop, and Cluster DIAMOND RINGS
Gold and Silver English Lever and Waltham WATCHES
Heavy Gold ALBERTS, NECKLETS, Gold BRACELETS
Gold Brooches and Earrings, Studs, Dress and Signet Rings, &c.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
The unredeemed jewellery pawned with Mr. Thos. R. James, of Liverpool-street, consisting of the above.

THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 o'clock.

Tailors' Misfits, Dresses and Dress Pieces, Men's and Women's New and Secondhand Clothing, Boots, Sheets, Quilts, Blankets, &c.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 274, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock, The above.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, April 29, 1887,
On the premises,
48, GIPPS-STREET, near BELMORE PARK,
at 11 o'clock.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.

GIBBS and CO. have been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, as above.
No reserve. Terms, cash.
GIBBS and CO., Auctioneers, &c., Equitable-chambers, corner Pitt and Park streets.

THE NEW AUCTION MART,
190, PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, 29th APRIL, at 11 a.m.

HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION.

Under instructions
from
Mr. D. H. DAVIS.

EXCEEDINGLY CHOICE and WELL-SELECTED SHIPMENT
of
72 CASES ENGLISH ART FURNITURE.

Ex Vandnara, from London.

*** The SPECIAL ATTENTION of BUYERS is directed to the HIGH-CLASS SUITES, for DRAWING, DINING, and BED ROOMS, which for GENERAL EXCELLENCE in DESIGN and FINISH are FULLY EQUAL to former Shipments.

DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE
comprises—
WALNUT TUB SETTEE SUITES, in Olive Green Silk and Ruby Plush
Ditto ditto in Old Gold Silk and Brown Plush, with extra or occasional chairs
HIGHLAND CABRIOLE COUCH SUITES in WALNUT, covered in Tapestry and Copper Plush
ELEGANT SUITES in WALNUT, INLAID ROSEWOOD, MAHOGANY, upholstered in rich and delicate shades of costly Silk Brocatelle, Blue and Silvered Tapestry, Plush and Cotelaines in Amber, Brown, Green, Olive and Gold, Terra Cotta and Silver Ground and Satin Borders
INLAID WALNUT CHIFFONIERS (4ft., 5ft., and 5ft. 6in.), with lofty mirrored backs and shaped marble tops
Ditto in RICH ITALIAN WALNUT, with recessed centres, pilared fronts, and fitted with bevelled mirrors
EE CABINETS in AMERICAN WALNUT and EBONITE and GOLD, with centre cupboards, cove tops, and bevelled plates
PEDIMENT-TOP CABINETS, with carved fronts and elliptic sides
OVERHEAD CUPBOARD CABINETS, with bull's-eye fittings, in richly carved AMERICAN WALNUT, fitted with numerous bevelled mirrors
CENTRE TABLES in BURR WALNUT, Loo Tables, Occasional and Octagonal Gipsy Tables, Oval Occasional Chairs, Card Tables, Inlaid Octagon Wine Tables, in walnut, rosewood, &c.
WALNUT and ROSEWOOD INLAID MUSIC CABINETS with gallery tops
BURR WALNUT DAVENPORTS, Four-tier Corner Whatnots, Square Cupboards, Chippendale Bookshelves
CANTERBURY WHATNOTS, ENCLOSED CABINETS
Music Stools, Wall Brackets, Hanging Cabinets
Revolving Stands, Mirrored Wall Brackets
Occasional Chairs, inlaid rosewood and walnut, very tastefully upholstered
Fancy Work Tables
HIGHLY-DECORATED OVERMANTELS, in satinwood, walnut and gold, ebonite and gold (choice and new designs, with artistic hand-painting)
OVERMANTELS, of special character, in gold and ebonite
GILT CARVED OVERMANTELS, with raised decorated panels, plush-lined shelves, bevelled mirrors, &c.
Black and Gold medium-sized Chimney Glasses
CANOPY-TOP OVERMANTELS, with oval centre bevelled mirror, hand-painted panels, &c.
Circular Centre Bevelled Mirror Overmantels
Very Superior Decorated Satinwood Cove-top OVERMANTELS
Croquet Folding Chairs, for gentlemen
Ebonised Wall Brackets, with mirrors and sconces
Ornamental Horseshoe Brackets, for wall decorations
Walnut Inlaid Bell Work Tables
Oval Work Tables, on end standards.

DINING-ROOM FURNITURE.

MASSIVE SUITES, in ELABORATELY CARVED AMERICAN WALNUT, LIGHT and DARK OAK, SPANISH MAHOGANY, covered in dark green, drab, brown, and maroon morocco
MAGNIFICENT SIDEBOARDS, to match the various suites, in AMERICAN WALNUT, ENGLISH OAK, and SPANISH MAHOGANY, with coved tops, cupboard backs, cellarettes, and fitted with side shelves, numerous bevelled mirrors, &c.
EXTENDING DINING TABLES (patent telescope movement), with canted corners, extra strong carved legs, in WALNUT and OAK
CARVED-BACK DINNER WAGGONS, in three tiers, with drawers, &c.
SPLENDIDLY FINISHED SECRETAIRE BOOKCASES, of new designs
SUPERB OVERMANTELS, in AMERICAN WALNUT, ENGLISH OAK, &c., with bevelled plates, carved panels, side pilasters
Pedestal Writing Tables, with medieval brass mounts
Oak Break-front Bookcases, of three wings
Sallvarian Footstools, wood panel, enclosed bookshelves
Mahogany Rutland Chairs, in haircloth.

BEDROOM FURNITURE.

VERY HANDSOME PEDESTAL BEDROOM SUITES (4 feet, 6 feet, and 7 feet), comprising Wardrobe, Toilet Table, Washstand with bevelled mirrors. Pedestal Cupboard, Chairs, and Towel Rails of choice designs in carved and polished ash, ash and cedar, walnut and ash, and walnut and satinwood and Inlaid Rosewood
EXTRA LARGE WARDROBES in BURR and ITALIAN WALNUT and BIRCH, with bevelled mirror centre doors, and fitted with trays, hangers, &c., complete
TOILET TABLES and WASHSTANDS in WALNUT, BIRCH, and MAHOGANY, of all descriptions, including very elegant Cheval Mirrors, Brackets, Top Cabriole, Cylinder Fall, and other approved designs, all fitted with bevelled mirrors and marble tops
Half-circle toilets, 3 feet, with marble tops
Commodes, square, with arms, Fluted, Box, and O O, in birch, walnut, and mahogany (patent pans)
Pedestal nests of Drawers, in walnut and mahogany
FULL-SIZED CHESTS of DRAWERS, in solid walnut and birch
Cretonne Easy Chairs
Cheval Glasses, in Birch, mahogany, and walnut
Spindle Rail Toilets, in mahogany and birch
ASH and WALNUT Recessed BEACONSFIELD BEDROOM SUITES

HALL FURNITURE.

CUPBOARD HALL SUITES, in light and dark oak, richly carved, comprising Hat and Umbrella Stand with Bevelled Mirrors, Subject-tiles, marble tops, and Chairs en suite, dull polished.
OCTAGON PANEL fret-framed HATSTANDS, in Carved American Walnut
LYRE-FRONT HATSTANDS, in OAK and MAHOGANY, with marble top and drawers
HAT and UMBRELLA STANDS, of various designs, in birch, oak and mahogany, walnut and whitewood, with oak backs, marble tops, and bevelled mirrors
GLOVE BOX HAT STANDS, with Hall Chairs to match
OAK and WALNUT BOXES, fitted with boot brushes and scrapers.

OFFICE.

OFFICE WASHSTANDS, square, enclosed, and fitted, with fittings complete
CYLINDER FALL WRITING TABLES, in Oak, 4 feet 8 inches
Mahogany ditto, with fall-down front
Pedestal ditto, in oak and mahogany
Revolving Office Chairs
Nests of Pigeon-holes, with Venetian fronts
Canvas, Flock, Feather Pillows
&c., &c., &c.

To Furniture Warehousemen, Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Private Buyers generally, Commission Agents, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN are in receipt of instructions from Mr. D. H. DAVIS, to arrange the above MAGNIFICENT SHIPMENT of HIGH ART FURNITURE, &c., for SALE by AUCTION, at the NEW AUCTION MART, 190, PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, 29th April, at 11 o'clock.

DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES obtainable at the Rooms of the Auctioneers.

NOW ON VIEW.

*** In consequence of the large number of lots to be disposed of the sale will commence at 11 o'clock precisely.
NO RESERVE.
TERMS AT SALE.

LUNCHEON PROVIDED.

J. R. HAMILTON, Auctioneer, is instructed to sell by public auction at his Saleroom, 282, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 29th instant, at 11 a.m.,
3 magnificent pianos, iron frames, nickel-plated, and all latest improvements, 7 octaves; drawing, dining, bedroom, and kitchen furniture, new and used; also large double office table, small office desk and table, office desk about 12 feet long, Avery's best weighing (Sewt.) machine, copying press, also wardrobes and sideboards, plateglass, Vases 4 ft. high, large bronze figure The Gleaner, Japanese ornaments, and a lot of useful articles. Also a neat assortment of clocks, jewellery, &c., comprising 6 dozen Hall-marked silver earrings, very heavy 18-carat gold duplex watch, gold rings, silver watches,
&c., &c.

J. R. HAMILTON, Auctioneer, is instructed by the Curator of Intestate Estates to sell, at his Saleroom, 282, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the 29th instant, at 11 a.m.,
The effects of the twelve (12) Intestate estates of Luke, Sigley, Mary Rogers, J. Culross, J. Robinson, J. S. Alberti, C. Sullivan, W. Hardy, G. Hobson, A. Delort, E. A. Hickscher, J. Corbett.

GREAT
FERN SALE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
at 2.30 sharp.

TREE FERNS	TREE FERNS
STAG HORNS	STAG HORNS
ROCK LILIES	ROCK LILIES
RUSTIC TABLES	RUSTIC TABLES
RUSTIC SEATS	RUSTIC SEATS
RUSTIC BASKETS	RUSTIC BASKETS
BIRDS' NESTS	BIRDS' NESTS.

DUFF and COLLINS (late Hugh Duff) have received instructions to sell by public auction, in their Rooms, 109, Pitt-street, at 2.30 sharp, THIS DAY, Friday, the above.

DUFF and COLLINS,
Auctioneers, 109, Pitt-street.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

DAVIS AND ANOTHER v. LANE.

Sheriff's Office,
26th April, 1887.

ON SATURDAY next, 30th April instant, at 11 a.m., on the premises occupied by the defendant, BLIGH-STREET, SYDNEY, unless this warrant is previously satisfied, the SHERIFF will cause to be sold by public auction,
Medical and surgical instruments, electric machines, patent medicines, &c., &c.

TERMS, CASH ONLY.

CHARLES COWPER, Sheriff.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.
Sheriff's Office,
April 26, 1887.

MACNAMARA v. RICE, H.

ON MONDAY, 2nd May next, at 11 a.m., on the premises occupied by the defendant, Campbell-street, Haymarket, unless this warrant is previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction,
3 horses, 2 carts and harness, 2 sausage-machines, driven by steam, buggy and harness, scales and weights, blocks, hooks, and other utensils of a retail butcher; also some household furniture and effects.

TERMS, CASH ONLY.

CHARLES COWPER,
Sheriff.

PETERSHAM.

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the
RESIDENCE
of
WILLIAM PEACOCK, Esq.
corner of
CRYSTAL-STREET and YORK CRESCENT,
PARRAMATTA-ROAD,
side of the line, first cottage from Petersham Bridge, near Railway Station.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 29th APRIL, at 11 a.m.,
of the
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
and
OTHER EFFECTS,
consisting of
DINNER SET, DESSERT SET, Hand-painted
DINING-ROOM FURNITURE
ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, covered in Mauve and Gold Sil

Funerals.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. CHARLES BRUCE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Ada Elizabeth; to move from his residence, Woodstreet, Forest Lodge, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers, 799, George-street South; Darling-street, Balmain.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. JOHN CLUNE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved DAUGHTER, Josephine; to move from his residence, 414, Jones-street, Ultimo, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, to Necropolis. WILLIAM J. DIXON, Undertaker, 40 and 169, Riley-street; and Forest Lodge tram terminus.

THE FRIENDS of the late HARRY ALFRED QUARTERMAIN are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, 29, Queen-st., Woollahra, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 2 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. R. B. CROPLEY and CO., Undertakers, Harris-st., 1 door from George-st.; and Bullanaaffa-st., Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM REEVES are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON, Arthur Ernest; to move from his residence, No. 56, Bay-street, Glebe, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Necropolis. WOOD and COMPANY, Undertakers, 799, George-street, Sydney; Balmain, and Petersham.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. ANDREW W. M'GRATH, late of Cumberland-street, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Eliza Margaret, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON; to move from his residence, No. 8, Rose-street, near Wattle-street, Shepherd's Paddock, at 2 o'clock, for the Catholic Cemetery, Necropolis. T. DIXON, Undertaker.

Tenders.

ASSIGNED ESTATE OF A. H. BARSBY, CROYDON.

TENDERS are invited for the STOCK-IN-TRADE and BOOK DEBTS of the above Estate, and will be received up till noon on FRIDAY, the 29th April.

Lot 1.—STOCK.

Manchester	£232	5	0
Clothing, Mercery, &c.	328	18	8
Dress Materials, Underclothing, &c. ...	295	6	9
Millinery, Fancy Hosiery, and Haberdashery	544	12	2
Plant and Fittings	40	4	6
	£1441	6	6

Lot 2.—BOOK DEBTS.

Good	£119	4	1
Doubtful and bad	19	6	2
	£138	10	3
	£1579	16	9

The lots to be tendered for separately or conjointly.

Tenders must be accompanied by the usual 10 per cent. deposit. The trustees do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

Stock-sheets may be seen, and information and forms of tender obtained, at the store, or from the undersigned.

MEI DRUM and MELDRUM,
Accountants and Trade Assignees.

89, York-street,
Sydney, 24th April, 1887.

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Town Clerk's Office,
Sydney, April 23, 1887.

CAST IRON WATER PIPES.

TENDERS will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock on TUESDAY, the 17th MAY, for the supply of the undermentioned Cast-iron Water Pipes:—

1. 4000 4-inch Cast-iron Water Pipes, in all about 286 tons. (To be delivered within 20 weeks.)
2. 2000 3-inch Cast Iron Water Pipes
6000 4-inch ditto ditto
2000 9-inch ditto ditto
2000 12-inch ditto ditto
250 15-inch ditto ditto
60 18-inch ditto ditto
60 20-inch ditto ditto

Amounting in all to about 2141 tons, to be delivered within 40 weeks.

Specifications and conditions at the office of the City Engineer.

HENRY J. DANIELS,
Town Clerk pro tem.

DRAPERY STOCK SALE BY TENDER.

TENDERS are invited for Drapery Stock of H. Rowland, 305, King-street, Newtown, well assorted as per stock lists, amounting to £721 13s 5d.

Stock lists may be inspected at the office of C. Newton Brother and Co., or on the premises on application to Mr. W. Stonier.

Tenders will be received on TUESDAY, 3rd May next.

CHRIS. NEWTON BROTHER and CO.

LEASE OF HOTEL AT COMO.

GEORGE'S RIVER, ILLAWARRA RAILWAY LINE.

To HOTELKEEPERS and persons seeking an opening for a respectable and profitable business.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until 6 p.m. on Thursday, 5th May next, from persons willing to lease the above premises.

The Buildings have just had extensive alterations and additions made, and a NEW LICENSE HAS BEEN GRANTED.

This is the only Hotel in that ROMANTIC and BEAUTIFUL LOCALITY. There is at present no accommodation of any kind for the large numbers who visit COMO, which resort is daily increasing in popular favour.

A suitable person should do a GOOD BUSINESS from the first day.

AN EARLY INSPECTION of the premises is invited.

THE LEASE will be for SEVEN (7) YEARS, at a rental of only £3 per week.

TENDERERS are asked to state the amount of CASH BONUS they offer for the Lease and License.

The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Any further information may be obtained at this office.

JAMES MURPHY,
Manager.

Holt-Sutherland Estate Land Co., Limited,
No. 3, O'Connell-street, Sydney.

SLATING.

TENDERS are invited for the whole of the Slating (labour only) at St. Patrick's Seminary, Manly. All particulars to be obtained from W. H. JENNINGS, Contractor, Barker-street.

TENDERS will be received up till May 10, 1887, for Purchase of Five Years' LEASE of ADELAIDE CLUB HOTEL, SILVERTON, and purchase of Furniture, &c. Stock to be taken at valuation.

Upstairs, five rooms and balcenette; on Ground Floor, bar, taproom, dining-room, two parlours, seven bedrooms; largest, best-furnished Underground Saloon out of Adelaide; kitchen, pantry, storeroom, cellar, washhouse, nine-stall stable, chaff-house, lamproom; and Assembly Hall, 60 x 25, seat 400, with stage and proscenium; small bar outside; Barber's Shop, with saloon; small ham shop.

Position of Hotel excellent, and takings extraordinary.

Large sums guaranteed for erection of usual Government buildings, including hospital, railway in course of construction from Cockburn to Silverton, extensive improvements being made in town by Corporation; road to rich tin mines of Poolamacca in course of construction; well organised Theatrical Companies almost regularly performing in Hall.

Terms—£1000 cash, balance by approved bills. No tenders necessarily accepted. To be sent to the proprietor, from whom all information may be obtained.

H. N. HAMLYN,
Adelaide Club Hotel,
Silverton.

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TO CARPENTERS and JOINERS.

TENDERS are invited (labour only) for the Erection of Entrance Buildings to Baths, Lady Robinson's Beach.

For particulars apply to

KENWOOD and KERLE,
141, Pitt-street.

TO PLASTERERS.

TENDERS are invited (labour only) for Cementing, &c., Pavilion, Lady Robinson's Beach.

For particulars apply to

KENWOOD and KERLE,
141, Pitt-street.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS are invited to the 5th May for the Erection of a Villa at Croydon.

Plans and specifications at our offices.

ELLIS and SLATYER, Architects,
Scott's-chambers, 96, Pitt-street.

TENDERS are invited for the Building of a Weather-board Cottage, labour only. Plan and specification can be seen at Mr. English's hotel, Kogarah. Tenders close 4 o'clock, Saturday, 30th April.

TENDERS wanted for Rubble Foundations of four Houses, labour only, Ruthven-street, Mill Hill, Waverley.

JOHN WALKER,
Ruthven-street, Mill Hill, Waverley.

TENDER for Painting 3 Cottages in Silver-street, Marrickville. Richmond and Savage. TENDER for Iron Columns and Fringting for 3 Cottages in Silver-street, Marrickville.

TENDERS wanted for the supply of 7000 Bricks (at per 1000, to be delivered at the New Brighton Estate, Rockdale. Apply W. T., 9, Gibbes-street, Rockdale.

TENDER for Brickwork. Labour only. Apply 10 a.m., R. A. Bastard, Briggs' Paddock, Stanmore Station.

TENDERS wanted for Plumbers' Work, two Houses. Apply on job, Campbell-street, North Shore.

TENDERS wanted, for making 12 pairs of Sashes and Box Frames. J. Walker, Ruthven-st., Mill Hill, Waverley.

TENDERS wanted, for 35,000 hand Bricks, delivered Waverley. John Walker, Ruthven-st., Mill Hill, Waverley.

TENDERS Cementing and Plastering 6-roomed house, labour and material. J. Allison, Great Buckingham-st., Redf.

TENDERS for Plumbing Work, shop and dwelling, wanted. Apply Kilgarif, Bay-street, Rockdale.

TENDERS required for Plastering a House, Abercrombie-street, Golden Grove. Apply on job.

TENDERS invited for Plumbing and Gasfitting, on job, Robinson and Queen streets, Croydon.

TENDERS wanted, to make shingled roofs Watertight. J. Dole, 19, Glebe-road.

TENDERS, Carpenters' Work, House, Grosvenor Estate, Croydon; plans on job. 3, Central Arcade, city.

TENDERS.—35,000 good Sandstocks, immediately, delivered at Marrickville. Apply 207½, Elizabeth-street.

TO Excavators.—Tenders for Lowering Pond, &c., University Paddocks, Camperdown, 1, Yaralla-street, Newtown.

WANTED, TENDERS, Grape Trenching, 20 inches deep, at per rod, soft ploughed land, near Cambeltown. Box 841, G. P. O., Sydney.

WANTED, TENDERS, for putting up about 200 Rod 1-rail Fence. Box 841, G. P. O., Sydney.

WANTED, TENDERS, for Cutting 300 Fencing Rails, labour only. Box 491, General Post Office, Sydney.

KIAMA (Bombo) BLUE METAL (all gauges) and Screenings, clean. 31, Cowper-street, Woollomooloo.

CLEAN KIAMA BLUE METAL, all gauges, and Screenings. Synnott, 15, Bond-street.

THE NORTH SHORE RAILWAY.

THE QUEEN'S PARK.

This Estate, only 3 minutes' walk from St. Leonards terminus. Auction TO-MORROW, Saturday, on the ground.

G. T. CLARKE and CO., Local Auctioneers.

JUST to hand, beautiful Ulece of the Queen. Look in the window. Campbell Brothers, 426, George-street.

Public Notices.

BULLI COLLIERY DISASTER FUND.

Mayors of Municipalities and Honorary Secretaries of Local Committees collecting for the above fund are respectfully informed that they can obtain copies of the

"LIST OF MEN WHOSE LIVES WERE LOST
in the
BULLI COLLIERY DISASTER,
and the
NAMES OF THE WIDOWS AND THE CHILDREN"
bereaved of their breadwinners,

by applying for the same direct to EDWARD J. H. KNAPP, Wentworth-court, Sydney, the Central Committee having been kindly supplied by the Hon. P. Abigail, Minister of Mines, with a large number for distribution to the above responsible persons.

EDWARD J. H. KNAPP } Hon.
GEO. HAMILTON } Secretaries.
Central Committee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
In Insolvency.

In the matter of the Insolvent Estate of ROBERT MILLSOM, late of Kent-street, Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, stonemason, since deceased.

Notice is hereby given that SUSAN MILLSOM, the Executrix of the estate and effects of the abovenamed Robert Millsom, who died on the 5th day of February, 1883, intends to apply to His Honor the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates, at the Court, Phillip-street, Sydney, on Thursday, the 12th day of May next, at the hour of 11 of the clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as the course of business will admit, that the estate of the abovenamed insolvent be released from sequestration, upon the grounds appearing in and by the affidavit of the said Susan Millsom, sworn and filed herein this day.

Dated this 25th day of April, A.D. 1887.

SUSAN MILLSOM,
22, Bourke-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

In the Will of JOHN GIBSON, late of Picton, in the colony of New South Wales, Coach Painter, deceased.

PURSUANT to the Trust Property Act of 1862, notice is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debts or claims upon or affecting the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, are hereby required to send in particulars thereof to the undersigned, under cover to the executor, on or before the 27th day of May, 1887, after which date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the debts and claims only of which he shall then have notice, and he will not be liable for the assets so distributed to any person of whose debt or claim he shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Sydney this 14th day of April A.D. 1887.

JOHN DAWSON and SON,
Proctors for the Executor,
98, Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

In the Will of DAVID M'BEATH, late of Paddington-street, Paddington, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof, application will be made to this Honorable Court, in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased (who departed this life on the seventeenth day of April instant), may be granted to MICHAEL CHAPMAN, of the Glebe, near Sydney, M.L.A.; and DAVID M'BEATH BRENEKE, of Paddington aforesaid, the Executors named therein.

Dated this 27th day of April, A.D. 1887.

PATRICK JOHN HOURIGAN, Proctor for the said Executors, 103, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.
Re ANNE HILLS, Deceased.

PURSUANT to the Trust Property Act of 1862, Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims upon the estate of the abovenamed deceased, are requested to send in full particulars of such claims to the undersigned under cover to the Executors, on or before the 26th day of May next, after which date the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, in terms of the Will of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims which they shall then have had notice.

Dated this 16th day of April, A.D. 1887.

ROWLEY and HILLS,
Proctors for said Executors,
Barristers'-court, Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction.

In the Will of WILLIAM ENWAY, late of Castlereagh-street, Sydney, in the Colony of New South Wales, Tailor, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that after the expiration of fourteen days from the publication hereof in the New South Wales Government Gazette, application will be made to this Honourable Court in its Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased, who died on the twenty-fourth day of April, A.D. 1887, may be granted to HARRIETT ENWAY, the widow of the said deceased, and sole executrix named in and appointed by the said will. Dated this 28th day of April, A.D. 1887.

ARTHUR JOSEPH BRADY,
Proctor for said Executrix,
87, Elizabeth-street,
Sydney.

NOTICE is hereby given that it is the intention of the Boroughs of East St. Leonards, St. Leonards, Victoria, and North Willoughby to apply to the Parliament of New South Wales for a Bill to enable the said Boroughs respectively to take on Lease, Purchase, or otherwise acquire, for any term, estate, or interest, lands situated outside of, but adjoining to, or abutting upon the boundaries of the said Boroughs respectively, and forming part of any of the shores, foreshores, or harbour of Port Jackson, or of any of the bays or inlets thereof, and to construct thereon, and also on lands already leased from the Government of New South Wales, or from Her Majesty the Queen, wharves, jetties, piers, landing places, waiting-rooms, and other erections and improvements, and to repair and rebuild the same, and to take on lease, purchase, or acquire, for any term, estate or interest from the said Government or from Her said Majesty all or any wharves, jetties, piers, or landing places already erected within, or adjoining, or near to the boundaries of any of the said Boroughs respectively, and to repair and rebuild the same, and for such purposes to borrow moneys and also use and apply the rates and incomes of the said respective Boroughs, and to make by-laws and regulations for the management of and for and in respect of all or any of the said wharves, jetties, piers, landing places, waiting rooms, and other erections and improvements, and to impose, take, demand, recover, and receive tolls, rates, and dues for and in respect of the use thereof, or of any wharf, jetty, pier, or landing place already in possession of the said Boroughs respectively by any person or persons, company or companies, and to let and demise the same and for the other purposes in the said bill mentioned.

Dated the fourteenth day of April, A.D. 1887.

WILLIAM HILSON PIGOTT,
Solicitor for the Bill,
50, Castlereagh-street,
Sydney.

NOTICE is hereby given that by an Indenture of Assignment dated the 26th day of April, 1887, and made between THOMAS CONOLLY, of Singers, in the colony of New South Wales, General Storekeeper (thereinafter designated Assignor) of the first part; WILLIAM NEWTON, of Pitt-street, Sydney, in the colony aforesaid, and DAVID MITCHELL, of Clarence-street, Sydney, aforesaid, Merchants (thereinafter designated Trustees) of the second part; and the several persons and bodies corporate, creditors of the said Thomas Conolly, executing the said Indenture, and all others the creditors of the said Thomas Conolly, of the third part—All the estate and effects, real and personal, whatsoever and wheresoever, of the said Thomas Conolly (wearing apparel and necessaries to an amount not exceeding twenty-five pounds only excepted) were released and assigned unto the said trustees, their heirs executors, administrators, and assigns, according to the nature and tenure thereof respectively, upon trust for the benefit of the creditors of the said Thomas Conolly. And notice is hereby further given that the said indenture, duly executed by the said Thomas Conolly and by the said Trustees, and attested as by law required, is now lying at the office of MARK MITCHELL, of Number 52, Castlereagh-street, Sydney, aforesaid, Solicitor, for inspection and execution.

Dated this 26th day of April, 1887.

THOS. CONOLLY.
W. NEWTON.
D. MITCHELL.

Signed by the said Thomas Conolly in the presence of G. WITHERS, J.P.

By the said William Newton in the presence of JOHN S. JAMIESON, J.P.

And by the said David Mitchell in the presence of J. HAWKINS BUCHANAN, J.P.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF F. GREVILLE and SON,
218, Devonshire-street, Sydney.

Persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to forward particulars of the same to the undersigned on or before SATURDAY, 30th April, 1887, otherwise they will be excluded from participation in the distribution of the estate.

STARKEY and TAYLOR,
Chartered Accountants,
32a, York-street.

Sydney, 23rd April, 1887.

N. S. W. COMMISSION ADELAIDE JUBILEE INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION, 1887.—Notice to Exhibitors.—Every facility is afforded to intending Exhibitors, who are put to no appreciable expense, beyond the preparation of goods for display; and the printed papers, to be had on application to the undersigned, will clearly show the nature of the facilities afforded. Applications for space are due at offices of Commission, 20th April; Goods due at Blackwall Wool Stores, kindly placed at disposal by Messrs. Flood and Co., on the 10th May, and in Adelaide 20th May; while the Exhibition opens on the 20th June of the present year. It will thus be seen that no time is to be lost.

ALEXR. CUMMING, Secretary.

8, Loftus-street.

THE LONDON CHARTERED BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Paid-up Capital and Reserves	£1,128,000		
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	1,000,000		
	£2,128,000		

A BRANCH of this Bank will be OPENED at WAVERLEY, at corner of Cooper and Ebley streets, on TUESDAY, the 3rd May, 1887, under the management of Mr. D. C. KILBURN.

CHARLES GUTHRIE,
Inspector and General Manager.

Sydney, 26th April, 1887.

HARRISON, JONES, and DEVLIN, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an interim Dividend, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, for the half-year ending 31st March, 1887, will be payable at the Company's Offices, Macquarie-place, on and after FRIDAY, 29th instant.

By order of the Board.

RICHARD HUMPHRIES,
Secretary.

Sydney, 15th April, 1887.

AUCTIONEERS' NOTICE.

The SALE of COOPER'S PADDOCK, at STRATHFIELD, is unavoidably POSTPONED to a future date, due notice of which will be announced in the daily papers.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

PRESERVED MEATS.

Crosse and Blackwell's Anchovy Paste will be 10½d
Ditto ditto Bloater Paste will be 10½d
Ditto ditto Potted Ham will be 9d
Ditto ditto Potted Tongue will be 9d
Ditto ditto Shrimp Paste will be 9d
Underwood's Devilled Ham will be 1s
Ditto Devilled Chicken will be 1s 4d
Ditto ditto Lobster will be 1s 4d
Ditto ditto Turkey will be 1s 4d
Ditto ditto Tongue will be 1s 4d.

JAMES KIDMAN.

SPECTACLE-MAKERS—OSBORN & HUNTER, 8, Arcade, King-st. (1st floor.) Pure Pebble Spectacles. As sup-

LADIES' CRICKET MATCH, in AID of the BULLI RELIEF FUND, Association Cricket Ground, 14th April, 1887.

BALANCE-SHEET.

Receipts.		Expenditure.	
To Cash taken at Ground gates ...£54 1 6		By ground charge (use given by trustees)	Free
Sale of tickets—34 at 1s, 68 at 2s .. 8 10 0		Wages, gatemen, &c.	£2 2 6
		Advts., S. M. Herald	4 16 0
		Ditto Dy. Telegraph	4 2 0
		Printing and calico signs	5 8 0
		Trophies, bus hire, and petties... ...	7 12 0
		Balance	35 11 0
	£62 11 6		£62 11 6

To cheque for Bulli Relief Fund, £38 11 0

S. H. FAIRLAND, Sec. A. C. Ground.
A. H. BRAY } Hon. Treasurers for
F. IRONSIDE } Match.

DEPARTURE OF A. FORSYTH, Esq., for CHINA, per S.S. GUTHRIE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30.

The FRIENDS of A. FORSYTH, Esq., are invited to meet at the Floating Jetty, Circular Quay, on SATURDAY, the 30th instant, at 12 o'clock noon, to proceed with him in the steamer Geelong as far as the Heads, this steamer having kindly been placed at the disposal of Mr. Forsyth's Banquet Committee.

D. CHADWICK.

WOLSELEY'S PATENT SHEARING-MACHINE.

The above Machine will be on VIEW and in full working order TO-DAY, FRIDAY, at Messrs. J. H. Geddes' Wool Stores, 19, Phillip-street.

For further particulars apply to G. F. WANT, at the above office.

Time—12 to 1, 2.30 to 4.

I AM NOT and will not be responsible for any DEBTS contracted in my name by any person.

THOS. GOOCH, Builder, 358½, Pitt-street, Sydney.

March 16, 1887.

NOTICE.—One Grey MARE, branded J over L near shoulder. If not claimed within seven days from this date will be sold to pay expenses. WM. BOULTON, Newport, Pittwater.

GEO. GREEN.—Call for BOX, or will sell Saturday, 4dray expenses. J. Ashley.

NOTICE.—If the BOX and Contents left in cottage, Cameron-street, Paddington, by Mrs. Pepperhill, be not claimed within seven days, they will be sold to pay expenses.

JAMES DUFFY.

BICYCLE STOLEN from front of Sydney Arcade, George-street, on 27th April, 54-inch Matchless, drop handles, with lamp and bell. £2 reward on conviction of thief. F. J. Eichler, 317, George-street.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS.

ISRAEL ISRAEL begs to tender his sincere thanks to his numerous friends and the public generally for the liberal patronage of upwards of 35 years, and trusts that the same liberal support will be given to his SONS, who will in future carry on the business in their new premises, 710½, George-street, on their account.

(Signed) ISRAEL ISRAEL.

THE CARRIAGE EMPORIUM,
27, YORK-STREET,
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desire to acquaint their numerous friends and the public generally that they are now landing some new and elegant designs, and respectfully invite early inspection of the very large stock they have on view.

The class of Carriages and Buggies imported by us has now been so long and favourably known that comment in an advertisement is unnecessary. Every style suitable for colonial use can be seen at

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THE SYDNEY MERCANTILE AGENCY,
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Conducts Arrangements with Creditors and all General Agency Business.

A. DEBNEY AND CO.
successors to
HOBSON and WHITING,
GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS, &c.,
15, Hunter-street,
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WE invite inspection of our large and well-assorted Stock of all classes of FURNITURE.

If unable to pay us a visit, write for our revised Illustrated House Furnishing Guide.

CAMPBELL BROS., Royal Furnishing Arcade, 478, GEORGE-STREET.

MEETINGS of Companies, Creditors, &c., may be held in the Large Room of the MERCANTILE MUTUAL-CHAMBERS, 120, Pitt-street, opposite General Post Office. Every convenience provided, charges moderate. Apply KELSO KING, Secretary, Mercantile Mutual Insurance Company, Limited.

BORWICK'S BAKING POWDER, sixpenny drums will be 5d
Ditto ditto, shilling drums will be 10d
Keen's Blue will be 8½d per lb. packet.

JAMES KIDMAN.

Lectures.

BOARD OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

The following FREE LECTURE will be delivered in the Technical Hall, Pitt-street:—

Lectures for Women.—"Home Nursing and Hygiene: Details of Nursing," by Mr. J. Spofforth, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., THIS DAY, Friday, 29th April, at 8 p.m.

EDWARD DOWLING, Secretary.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

First LECTURE of the Winter Course, in the LARGE HALL, on MONDAY, 16th MAY, by the Rev. Dr. JEFFERIS. Subject: "Some Conflicts of the Modern Mind." Hon. W. J. FOSTER, Attorney-General, will take the chair at quarter to 8 o'clock.

DAVID WALKER, Gen. Sec.

W. W. COLLINS, SUNDAY next, Standard Theatre—"The Jubilee Crase."

FREETHOUGHT.—Dr. Hughes, Academy of Music, Sunday Night. Good programme. Popular prices.

Religious Announcements.

SUNDAY MORNING NEXT, at West's Academy, Castlereagh-street. Spiritualists and friends are invited to a Special Morning SERVICE at 11 a.m.

Municipal Elections.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT of WEST BOTANY.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY.

NOTICE is hereby given that a PUBLIC MEETING of the Electors of this Municipality will be held at the Council-chambers, Rocky Point-road, Arncliffe, on TUESDAY, the seventeenth day of May next, at noon, for the purpose of Nominating and Electing an Alderman for Arncliffe Ward, in the room of Alderman John Curtis, resigned.

Nominations of candidates must be in writing, and delivered to the undersigned personally, or left for him at his residence, Athelstane, Wollencong-road, Arncliffe, seven days at least before the said day of nomination.

W. G. JUDD,
Mayor and Returning Officer.

Arncliffe,
28th April, 1887.

Professions, Trades, &c.

ACTIVE AGENTS wanted, for new line; special inducements, city or country. 269, Castlereagh-street.

AT 108, Bathurst-st., G. Institute.—Wanted, finishing visiting Governess, English, French, German, music, &c.

AN ABLE Special AGENT required for leading Mutual Life Office. Liberal terms, and a certainty guaranteed to a competent man. Iconoclast, Herald Office.

A GOOD OPENING.—Young gentleman possessing small sum wanted to undertake remunerative light work, new invention. Apply 12, Lodge-street, Forest Lodge, close to tram.

A. H. C. GUILD.

APPLICATIONS, accompanied with copies of testimonials, are invited from duly qualified Medical Gentlemen, for the position of MEDICAL OFFICER to the A. H. C. GUILD, FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Applications to be addressed to the Warden, not later than the 19th MAY proximo.

JOHN F. M'DONALL, Warden.
JAMES SHEEHAN, Secretary.

Guild Hall, Sydney, April 23, 1887.

AUSTRALIAN WIDOWS' FUND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, Limited.

Established 1871.

HAYMARKET BRANCH, 722, GEORGE-STREET.

LIFE ASSURANCE CANVASSERS Wanted. None but gentlemen of good address, and having the best references, need apply. Previous experience unnecessary.

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Apply between 9 and 11 a.m., and 7 to 9 p.m.

A FEW MORE VACANCIES OPEN.

DAVID J. DAVIS,
Branch Manager.

Haymarket Branch, 722, George-street.

BONUS £5, for decent BILLET in store, on steamer, or cattle station. Bob, Herald.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a good MAKER for E. S. Apply A. Jones, 93, George-street West.

BOOT TRADE.—Good Fitter wanted, good wages; also Kipcutter, piecework, good wages. Johnson, 20, Park-st.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, CLOSER for Bluchers. Apply F. Abigail, 589 and 591, George-street.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a good General HAND. 194, Riley-street, Surry Hills.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a General WORKMAN. E. Hummerston, 124 Phillip-street.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a MAN, for repairs. Thos. Guy, 112, Quarry-street, Ultimo.

BOOT TRADE.—Kip CLICKER wanted, Machinists, out-door makers, general. Day, Edward-street, Redfern.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, steady MAN, for repairs. Wicks' Boot Palace, Parramatta-road, Petersham.

BOOT TRADE.—Wanted, a good general WORKMAN, at once. J. Church, Summer Hill.

BUTCHER wanted, young and smart, in small goods as well. 163, Redfern-street, Redfern.

BUTCHERS.—Wanted, a respectable young MAN used to the trade. G. Walker, 216, Devonshire-street.

CANVASSER wanted, for Bishop's Map of Telegraphic Communication through N. S. W. G. Bishop, 130, Pitt-st.

CANVASSERS.—Permanent substantial work for first-class men. Apply Journey, Herald.

COMMISSIONS wanted, by advertiser travelling city and suburbs daily, any line. Eaton, Herald Office.

COLLECTOR (experienced), at present with one commission, would accept another COMMISSION from 1st of May; personal security given; open one week. J. Watson, Park-street Post-office.

DRAPERY.—Wanted, a HAND for Saturday nights. Grace Bros., 203, George-street West.

DRESSMAKING.—Wanted, good ASSISTANT, also young GIRL, 16. Miss Nelson, 67, Castlereagh-street.

DRESSMAKERS. DRESSMAKERS.

APPRENTICES wanted. APPRENTICES wanted. Short hours, and a nice place; kind treatment.

HORDERN BROTHERS,
211, Pitt-street.

DRESSMAKING.—A Lady of good taste and experience required to take charge of one of our Dressmaking Rooms.

Apply 10 to 11, office.

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FAIRFIELD GOLDFIELDS.—Wanted, two Partners, sleep., £50 each, destrous join syndicate. Renno, Herald.

FIRST-CLASS MANTLE-MAKER wanted. Apply 9 a.m. This Day,
Head Office, upstairs.
ANTHONY HORDERN and SONS,
PALACE EMPORIUM,
HAYMARKET.

GENTLEMAN with few hundreds, would meet another with similar amount to start business. Genuine, G. P. O.

GENTLEMANLY Book Canvasser, profession, wanted, exceptional terms to good man. 81, Market-street.

GOVERNESS, experienced, desires ENGAGEMENT, English, French, music, drawing, painting. M.M.E., Herald.

GROCER.—Wanted, by advertiser, Situation as Grocer; considerable home and colonial experience. A. B. E., Herald.

GROCERS.—Wanted, a smart young Man as collector and general assistant. C. Martin, Bald Rock, Balmain.

HAIRDRESSER and BARBER wanted at Metrop. Agency, 68, Elizabeth-street.

HAIRDRESSERS.—Good smart HAND for Saturday, 15s for day. W. Kepple, Erskine-street.

HAIRDRESSERS.—MAN for Saturday, good hand. Apply Craig and Aitken, George-street.

INSURANCE.—JUNIOR wanted, fresh from school, own handwriting. Box 1043, G. P. O.

LEDGER-KEEPER wanted; good writing and references indispensable. Scribe, Herald Office.

MILLINER and Saleswoman wanted, in country store references required. Apply J. H. B., Box 499, G. P. O.

MILLINER and Saleswomen, well experienced in general clothing, wishes to enter shop. Alice, Herald.

MILLINERY.—Wanted, smart Hand capable of taking charge of a department. Grace Bros., 203, George-st. W.

NURSERY GOVERNESS is required to take complete charge of two young children at Kogarah; good salary. Apply by letter, with references, to J. H. Carruthers, solicitor, 130, Pitt-street, Sydney.

OFFICE BOY.—Wanted, smart Office BOY; one with good handwriting preferred. Address Box 1034, G. P. O.

OFFICE BOY wanted, from school preferred. Pollard and Smith, Labour Exchange, 108, Elizabeth-street.

PACKET HOPS.—Wanted, an experienced PACKER. Apply to T. and W. Willis, 15, Pitt-street.

PLUMBER wanted; one accustomed to lead flushing. Apply Mover, Dove Inn, Erskine-street.

PARTNER wanted with about £2000, to join well-established and rapidly increasing STOCK, STATION, and LAND BUSINESS in the most flourishing part of the colony, and to take the management thereof.

Principals only treated with, and reference required. Address R., Box 256, G. P. O.

PARTNER wanted, with from £150 to £200, to join a other in good general store in the suburbs, old established, and doing a good paying business. For full particulars apply to

Mr. TROTTER, 8, Bennett and Co., Grocers, &c., 476, George-street.

SALESWOMEN wanted, for the showroom; must have a thorough experience. Mark Fox, Hyde Park.

TAILOR wanted at No. 9, Market-street.

TO IRONMONGERS.—Wanted, by Junior Assistant, SITUATION, town or c. Ironmonger, 280, Castlereagh-st.

TO TAILORS.—Wanted, for Queensland, good Coat HAND, must be sober man. Apply W. Gardiner and Co.

TO TAILORS.—Weekly Hands wanted for trousers; also for coats, constant work. Harris, Clark-street.

TO TAILORS.—Wanted, Hands and Dress Coat HANDS, in or out doors. R. C. Hagon, 129, King-street.

TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.—OPPORTUNITY for a YOUTH leaving school to learn routine merchant's office: no salary first six months. Apply Merchant, P. O., Box 867.

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A Price wanted to Make and Burn 100,000 BRICKS, at Mount Druitt; yard and everything ready. Good Makers wanted; no bricklex need apply.

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Active CANVASSERS wanted; also, Local Agents for suburbs and country towns.

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WANTED, 2 good Carpenters and Fixers. New houses opposite Model Lodging-house, Kent-street.

WANTED, a CANVASSER; must be experienced in advertising; references required. Box 287, G. P. Office.

WANTED, smart MAN, sell tinware; good money can be made. Apply Cheshire Hotel, Haymarket.

WANTED, an UPHOLSTERER, to work on the premises. Apply 302, Victoria-street, Darlinghurst.

WANTED, a good second Hand BAKER, suburb. Simmonds' Registry, 222, Castlereagh-street.

WANTED, several LADS for the stage; those with experience preferred. 189, Castlereagh-st., 11 o'clock.

WANTED, SETTER, kerb and gutter. Jas. Dunmett, Glebe.

WANTED, good DRESSMAKER, by the day or week. Apply 96, Walker-st., Redfern. References.

WANTED, good NEEDLEWOMAN, by the day. Apply early, Shubra Hall, Croydon.

WANTED, 2 good PLUMBERS and GAS-FITTERS, also BOY. Apply V. Tomkins, 313, Clarence-street.

WANTED, a respectable young MAN, for the grocery. Apply, with refs., W. S. Mulrooney, Corso, Manly.

WANTED, first-class JOINER at once. 14, Newman-street, Newtown.

WANTED, a respectable BOY, used to the Guttering Machine. Apply Allen Bros., 110, George-street West.

WANTED, Blacksmith's IMPROVER. Apply early, Macgregor, Harris, and Co., 266, George-street.

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